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Chiang Kai-Shek Warns Western Powers of Aggressor Victory

JAPANESE AIM IS COMPLETE HEGEMONY IN THE PACIFIC

RAPE OF POLAND

Hideous Nazi Crimes Revealed

ROME, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Monday's broadcast from the Vatican denouncing the German persecution of Poles in German-occupied Poland was followed to-day by the publication of a report giving a full account of the persecutions.

The report was submitted to the Primate of Poland by a Roman Catholic priest who escaped after being imprisoned. He declared that the order of the day in German-occupied Poland was a baseless accusation and destruction of everything Polish and Catholic. The priest gives a description of incidents which are almost unprintable.

Looting And Pillaging

One of the less revolting passages concerns the conditions under which Roman Catholic priests had to live in prison. They had to carry out the most disgusting tasks.

In a Warsaw prison are hundreds of priests. All churches in Posnan are closed and the most beautiful church of all has been turned into a concert hall.

The priest says that looting, pillaging and export to Germany of all food and clothing have left the Polish population destitute, and he foresees widespread starvation in the coming spring.

He describes how Polish families are herded into railway trucks in freezing weather and then taken far out into the country and told to fend for themselves.

Inhabitants in Posnan seldom undress and keep a small bag of personal belongings near them all the time, "just in case."

Mass Executions

The priest also makes the charge that the Germans are trying to destroy the Polish race by sterilising young boys and girls.

Among many accounts is one case in which a priest was forced to watch 20 mass executions in a public square at one time. When he could bear it no longer and cursed the Nazis, he was beaten with rifle butts and then shot.

No Lack Of Fuel Oil

Navy's Supplies Are Satisfactory

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Director of Supplies at the Admiralty, Mr. W. J. Hick, declared that the position with regard to the Navy's oil fuel was extremely satisfactory.

No Admiralty tanker has been lost and there are comparatively few charterers of tankers.

Since the last war, a new system of supply to naval vessels at sea has enabled a ship to be maintained six or eight months without replenishing. Pre-war arrangements had worked extremely well.

The increase of the work in the department is indicated by the fact that the Naval estimates of 1934 provided £5,000,000 for Naval stores. This had risen to £15,000,000 in 1938, and in the first year of the war was likely to be at least £60,000,000, covering 670,000 items of stores.

Nothing To Report

PARIS, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—To-night's French communiqué states that there is nothing to report.

Wang Ching-Wei's Secret Pact

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23 (Central).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek late tonight issued a lengthy message to the peoples of all friendly Powers concerning Wang Ching-wei's secret agreement with Japan, exposed by Tao Hsi-sheng and Kao Tsung-wu in Hongkong on Jan. 22.

Generalissimo Chiang says that while the agreement, covering "fundamental points for the readjustment of Sino-Japanese relations," by an expelled traitor naturally holds no validity, yet it is of striking significance, as it confirms by Japan's own mouth the fact that whatever her professions or protestations, her traditional policy of conquest could be no more changed than a leopard could change its spots.

He then proceeds to say:

Complete Domination

"The spirit of the so-called agreement for a new order in Asia speaks for itself.

"As revealed in the Twenty One Demands and later the Tanaka Memorial, which had as its thesis 'In order to conquer the world Japan must first conquer China; in order to conquer China Japan must first conquer Manchuria and Mongolia,' the present policy of Japan, as so baldly indicated in the agreement is complete military, political and economic domination of China, making her a Japanese protectorate in all but name.

Conquest of Far East

"If there were any doubters it must now be clear to all that as long as the Japanese militarists dominate their country, the policy of aggression and conquest will remain unchanged.

"From conquest of China and utilisation of her manpower and resources it is but a short step to the conquest of Indo-China, the Malay Peninsula, the East Indies, India and the Philippines, and to a hegemony of the Pacific clearly outlined in the Tanaka Memorial.

RED OFFENSIVE

BIG DRIVE UNDER WAY

Attempt To Flank Mannerheim Line

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Russians are pushing hard their new onslaught on the 50-mile front stretching from the north-east of Lake Ladoga to the frontier, and this sector threatens to become of vital importance.

If the Russians succeeded in breaking through, which seems unlikely at present, they would be able to sweep round Lake Ladoga and take the Mannerheim Line in the rear.

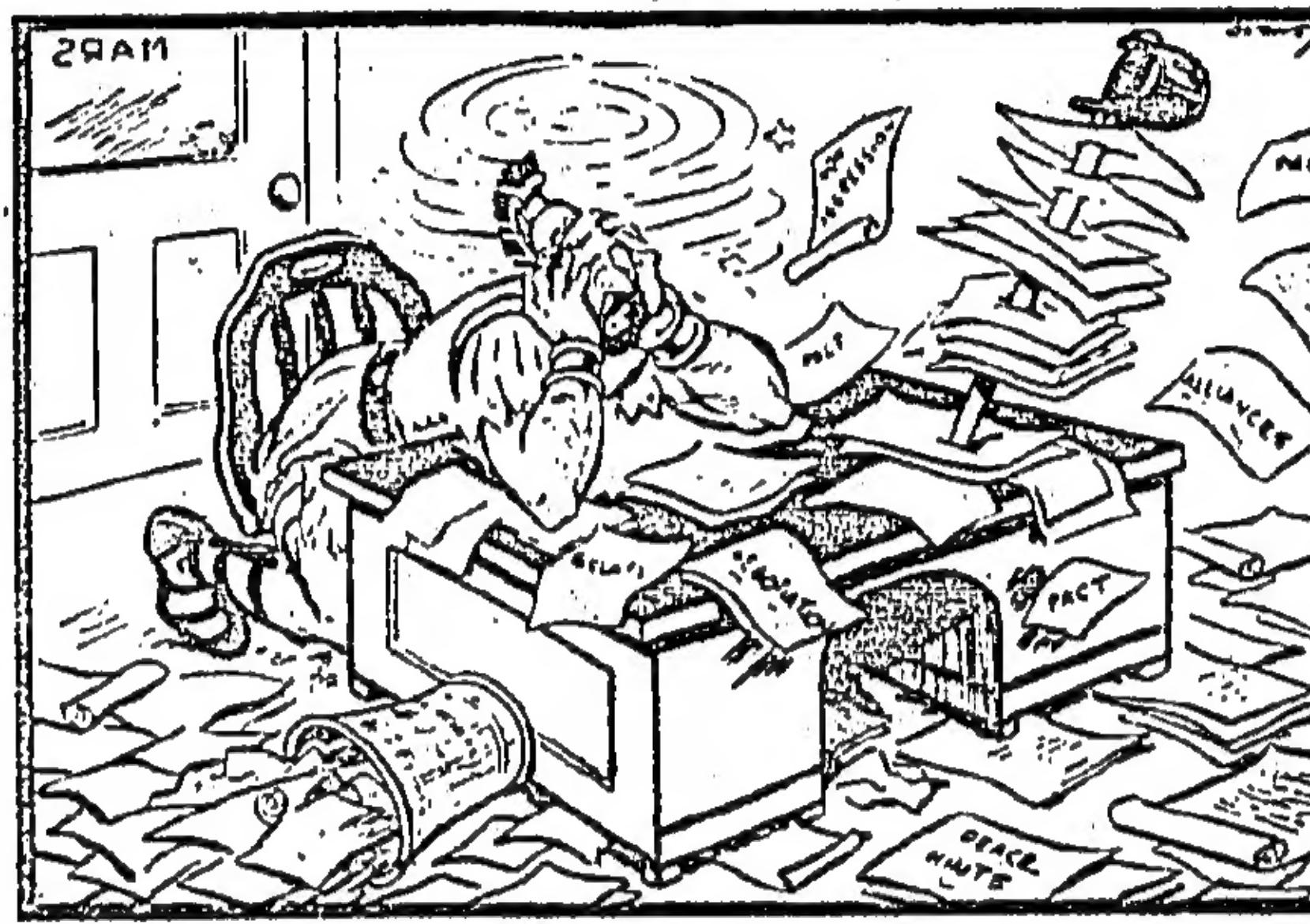
Roupled With Big Losses

To-night's communiqué, however, says that the Finns are beating back the assault with heavy losses.

The Russians are attacking in mass, strongly supported by artillery and tanks, and the thousand casualties mentioned in the communiqué prove

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As They See It Abroad



NEW TRADE PACT NOT WANTED

America's Straight Reply To Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).

State Department officials today made it plain to the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Horinouchi, that the United States will not negotiate for a temporary agreement to replace the commercial pact which is expiring at midnight on Friday.

The Ambassador was told that no changes in the tariff nor other matters regulated under the treaty were anticipated as a result of the expiration, but he was advised that the whole future of Japanese-American trade relations depends on developments.

Specific Questions

The Ambassador went to the State Department to make specific inquiries regarding what could be expected after the expiration of the treaty. He had an appointment with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, but Mr. Hull confined himself to his home with an incipient cold. Mr. Horinouchi conferred for more than half hour with Mr. Adolf Berle, Assistant Secretary of State.

The Ambassador asked specifically whether the expiration of the treaty would result in any change in the import duties on Japanese products or port tonnage rates against Japanese ships; secondly—whether there was a possibility of an exchange of notes between the two governments regarding the status of trade relations; and thirdly, what would be the status of Japanese merchants and traders in the United States after the expiration.

The Replies

In response to the first question, the Ambassador was told that the expiration would not of itself bring any changes.

In reply to further questions along this line he was told that as the United States has repeatedly emphasized, future commercial relations depend entirely on developments.

In response to the second question, the Ambassador was told it would have to be held open and would presumably form a part of the discussions at Tokyo.

Depend On Japan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The course of commercial relations between the United States and Japan after the expiration of the present treaty on January 26 will depend on Japan's attitude to the rights of Americans in China.

This statement was made to Mr. Kenzuke Horinouchi, the Japanese Ambassador to Washington, by Mr. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State, in the State Department to-day.

In an interview lasting half an hour, Mr. Berle told Mr. Horinouchi, in reply to questions put to him, that the expiration of the treaty did not, of itself, imply any changes in import duties and tonnage rates. Further commercial relations would, however, depend on the developments in the Far East.

Mr. Berle added that Japan's suggestions for an exchange of notes defining the status of trade relations must be held open.

Japanese In America

Regarding the status of the Japanese merchants now carrying PLEASE Turn To Page 10.

Why Graf Spee Was Defeated

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The poor quality of the crew of the Graf Spee has been revealed to the Admiralty by British merchant captains and wireless operators.

The Graf Spee's crew, they said, were abnormally young, from 17 to 22. Some of them had never been afloat before and were inexperienced and unhandy.

"They were not seamen and did not know the first thing about it," said one captain.

"If they could do anything wrong, they did it," he said.

Demoralisation

The British prisoners watched the demobilisation of the crew through a porthole. Many of the men were demobilised at the first sight of the killed and wounded, and were physically sick, although when they were sinking merchant ships they were full of fight.

The British prisoners had the same food that the crew had, and in the opinion of some of them, "It was not enough to enable a man to do a full day's work."

The Graf Spee's crew were mortified when a merchant captain, whose ship they had sunk under the impression that it carried a cargo of wool, told them (once the ship was at the bottom) that in fact she had been carrying 8,000 tons of meat and butter and cheese.

Naval System Advocated

Again, Italian lines are more ready to give hold-back guarantees under which ship can proceed to its port and the line holds up the cargo if the British control finds that it is contraband.

The British authorities are getting little information in London concerning American cargoes, and indeed, have received no information since Christmas.

Everything possible is done to get them away quickly. It is pointed out, but a great deal of delay could be avoided by the use of the naval system.

Co-operation Claim

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—American shippers are co-operating to an amazing extent with the British Contraband Control to avoid unpleasant incidents, declared the officials of the State Department when informed of the British statement that Italian ships seemed more disposed to co-operate than American ships.

They said that co-operation by American shipowners included application to the British authorities for navvies, supply of copies of their manifest by air-mail and giving the so-called "black diamond" or "hold-back" guarantees.

Declaring that American ships are not obliged to co-operate, it was claimed that the possible lack of co-operation was no excuse for undue detention of American ships.

DRASTIC CUTS IN NEW U.S. FLEET POSSIBLE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The possibility of a drastic reduction in the new fleet's expansion programme was raised by Mr. Carl Vinson, Chairman of the House of Representatives' Naval Committee, when he asked the Navy Department to submit plans for a two-year building programme, which will replace the three-year plan.

Mr. Vinson said that fewer cruisers and submarines would be built if the two-year programme was adopted, but asserted that it would still provide for three new aircraft carriers.

U-Boat Experts Aboard Asama Maru?

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—A special commentary states that the removal of the German passengers from the Asama Maru is a routine measure normal in war, sanctioned by international law and practised in 1914-18.

The object is to prevent the return of individuals of special importance in connection with the prosecution of the war.

Similar action has already been taken by several belligerents in the present war without raising comment or complaint.

Show Utmost Courtesy

The Allies have always endeavoured to show the utmost courtesy and to cause minimum inconvenience to neutrals.

The statement by Captain Watanabe of the Asama Maru shows that the present case is no exception.

The statement by the German Ambassador to Tokyo may be contrasted PLEASE Turn To Page 10.

LATEST

ANOTHER DESTROYER LOST

Crew Of 175 All Feared Dead

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

London, Jan. 24 (UP).—ANOTHER BRITISH WARSHIP HAS BEEN LOST. THE ADMIRALTY OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCES THAT THE 1,475 TON DESTROYER EXMOUTH HAS BEEN SUNK EITHER BY A MINE OR A TORPEDO.

IT IS FEARED THAT THERE ARE NO SURVIVORS.

The Exmouth is a sister-ship of the Grenville which was sunk this week in the North Sea.

Her peace-time complement is 175. The Exmouth is the fifth destroyer to be lost, the others being the Gipsy, Blanche, Duchess and Grenville.

She was launched on February 7, 1934 and was commissioned on October 31 of the same year.

She cost £330,000 to build.

The vessel was launched at Portsmouth Dockyard. She was armed with five 2.4 in. guns and eight 21-in. torpedo tubes.

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Spain Enemies Now Comrades

Strange Anomalies In Finland

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Among the foreign volunteers to arrive in Finland to fight against Soviet Russia is an Italian air pilot, who passed through Germany on his way to Helsinki.

He told enquiring Nazis he was on his way to some winter sports.

The attack on Finland was a great mistake for the Bolsheviks, he said. All Italy feels great admiration for Finland, and the longer the war goes on, the more Italy's admiration grows.

An indication of the high ideals of the volunteers is provided by a Swedish detachment, which includes anti-Communist and anti-Nazi who fought on opposing sides during the Spanish war.

NEUTRALS LOSE MOST SHIPS

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Figures issued by the Admiralty show once again that last week the Nazis sank more neutral ships than British.

Neutral lost four ships totalling 24,000 tons. Neutrals lost 11 ships totalling 35,000 tons.

During the same week (up to January 17), the record of safety in convoys was maintained, at one lost in 500.

These figures give a proper proportion to the reports of individual ships lost from day to day.

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DUKE TO LIVE IN PALACE

THE Duke and Duchess of Kent, who gave up their house in Belgrave-square, S.W., at the beginning of the war, are considering making Kensington Palace their future home. It has been empty since the death of Princess Louise at the beginning of this month.

The Duke is at present serving as a rear-admiral on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, and he and the Duchess have taken a house in Scotland near his base.

But ever since they postponed their departure to Australia for the Duke's term of office as Governor-General, Kensington Palace has been discussed as their possible future home.

Princess Louise left the greater part of her private fortune to the Duke of Kent, and it was her wish that after her death her home should become his.

As an executor the Duke is a frequent visitor to the palace, and each time he goes there he considers possible modernizations. Many thousands of pounds will have to be spent.

"The water sector from La Campane, with the Albert Canal

"The bastion of the Fortress of Liege with its modern forts.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS

Notice is hereby given that freight rates will be increased by approximately 15% effective February 23, 1940. A new tariff is now in preparation.

HONGKONG/PANAMA FREIGHT CONFERENCE.

Hongkong, January 22, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

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The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

Britain's New Speed Limit IS 1,700

20 M.P.H. During The Black-Outs

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Government has decided that there is an overwhelming case for the speed limit of 20 miles an hour in built-up areas during the black-out, announced Mr. Euan Wallace, the Minister of Transport, in the House of Commons to-day in a debate on the increase of road accidents and deaths since the black-out was instituted.

Increased Road Fatalities

Mr. Wallace mentioned that during the period, from September to December 31 last, namely the first four months of war, 4,133 persons, including 2,057 pedestrians, died from road accidents, compared with 2,494 in the corresponding period in 1939.

Mr. Wallace stated: "Until the day comes—and may it come soon—when we have destroyed a sufficient proportion of the German striking force as to make the menace of air-raid on this country no longer real, we are bound to maintain the black-out, substantially in its present form." The reduced speed limit comes into force on February 1.

FOOD PROBLEM WITH GASTRITIS

For years, doctors wanted to find a food that would not irritate the inflamed stomach walls of patients suffering from gastritis and that at the same time would rebuild the patient's strength. In severe cases of gastritis solid foods are out of the question, even liquid foods are often vomited. Yet the patient needs quick new strength to rebuild his exhausted body. In Horlicks, doctors and nurses have found an ideal food.

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Small Buffer State Has 650,000 Men Mobilised

BELGIUM'S ABILITY TO RESIST NAZIS

BELGIUM'S ability to resist aggression and her co-operation with Holland in the building up of a defence system are stressed by Senator Paul Crockaert, President of the Commission of National Defence of the Belgian Senate and Minister of National Defence in 1933.

Senator Crockaert told the Brussels Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" that never before has Belgium possessed an army of its present size. To defend her lines Belgium had mobilized in full force the two military classes of her trained forces—about 650,000 men.

In addition they had at their disposal the third class of trained reserves, not yet mobilized. Apart from that Belgium could call to her aid several hundreds of thousands of men, many of them youngsters.

"For our defence," said Senator Crockaert, "we can also rely implicitly on the Dutch."

"As to Belgium, she possesses three successive lines of defence. The first, Ciney-Liege-Ardennes, is divided into three sectors:

"The water sector from La Campane, with the Albert Canal

"The bastion of the Fortress of Liege with its modern forts.

"The forest of Ardenne with its canals and fortresses, and its reliance on the Fortress of Namur.

"The second fortified line joins Antwerp to Namur. This line is partially protected by the flood areas.

"The third line is constituted by the three-cornered emplacement, Antwerp-Nieuport-Ostend.

Modern Armaments

"THE fire power of the Belgian army is beyond comparison with 1914 or even 1918. Her troops are strikingly provided with modern armaments, the best in existence. These weapons are Belgian in conception and manufacture.

"The 47-millimetre anti-tank gun, the big 120-millimetre gun and the infantry mortar are better than those of any army in the world.

"If we are attacked we shall put up a fierce resistance, foot by foot, and this resistance will have more than one surprise in store for the aggressor.

"In the event of a Dutch-Belgian defensive war there is one point which must not be lost sight of. Our army is solely defensive. We have no heavy tanks.

"I emphasize this point because if middle Holland is invaded we cannot go to her rescue.

"Without such arms, or the German supplied metals for their manufacture in Holland, declares the correspondent, "the chances are that in the case of attack, the N.I. would fall a easy prey to the aggressive forces. The importance of the Indies not only to Holland but also to Europe, and particularly to Great Britain, would then be lost."

London Unsympathetic

Well-informed opinion in London does not attach much value to this line of argument against "Intervention" by the British blockade with German exports through Holland.

It is felt that, in Germany's present economic plight, the indirect contribution which the Nazis could, in any case, make to the defences of the N.I. would be of no practical importance.

Moreover, it is not admitted that Great Britain would be content to let the Netherlands Indies pass from the possession of the Dutch into the control of a Great Power which might, in due course, prove hostile to Britain.

"This will give an idea of our military effort in the last three months, and of the military power which we have prepared for many years."

FRENCH WARSHIP SINKS U-BOATS

PARIS. Graphic details of how a French destroyer sank two German submarines in three days were given this evening in a French Admiralty communiqué, which stated:

"One of our seaplanes reported an enemy submarine. The destroyer Sirocco, on patrol, hastened to the spot, making for a buoy marked by the seaplane where the submarine had just emerged.

"Before reaching the buoy the destroyer put its bomb-thrower into action, firing first one chain of depth bombs and then almost immediately afterwards a second chain. At the stern, just in the wake, the crew of the destroyer saw the submarine slowly emerge, listing over on its port ballast tanks.

"It listed further, remained for about 10 seconds on the surface in this impossible position, then

"Three days later, in the same

waters, the destroyer noticed by the light of the moon the silhouette of a German submarine on the surface.

"The first shots were immediately fired at the submarine. A shell from the gun found its mark and the submarine dived abruptly.

"The Sirocco dropped depth charges, then went again over the spot and dropped a further string of bombs.

"In this way, while the radius is

"Just as the last bomb exploded,

"The bow of the submarine was

"safely stored at night it can still be used in the hospital during the day and put away hurriedly in case of danger.

TO SAVE HIS MATES

HE RETURNED TO TORPEDOED SHIP

THE STORY of an engineer who risked his life by

returning to a torpedoed ship to save his mates, was told

when 22 survivors of the Arlington Court were landed at

an Irish port.

The ship was struck without warn-

"The wireless operator laughed. "I

"I was chased by some bulls," he said, "I was still in full flying kit, but I roared and nearly broke the record for the 100 yards. I escaped by vaulting over a 4ft. gate."

"Another member of the crew

"He was in water as he fell

"through the clouds, and started to

"take off his boots.

"I sprained an ankle on landing,"

"he said, "hobbled to the nearest

"house—and went to sleep."

LABOUR LEADERS OFF TO FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—A British Labour delegation, headed by Sir Walter Citrine, which is en route to Finland, is now here consulting Swedish Labour leaders.

The delegation is going to Finland at the invitation of Finnish Trade Unions to report on the situation and Finland's needs to the British Labour movement.

Sir Walter Citrine, in an interview, said that he hoped one result of the visit would be to show the British Government a more effective way of helping Finland, if necessary. He added that he and his colleagues

"would visit the fighting fronts."

"So at the risk of his life he went

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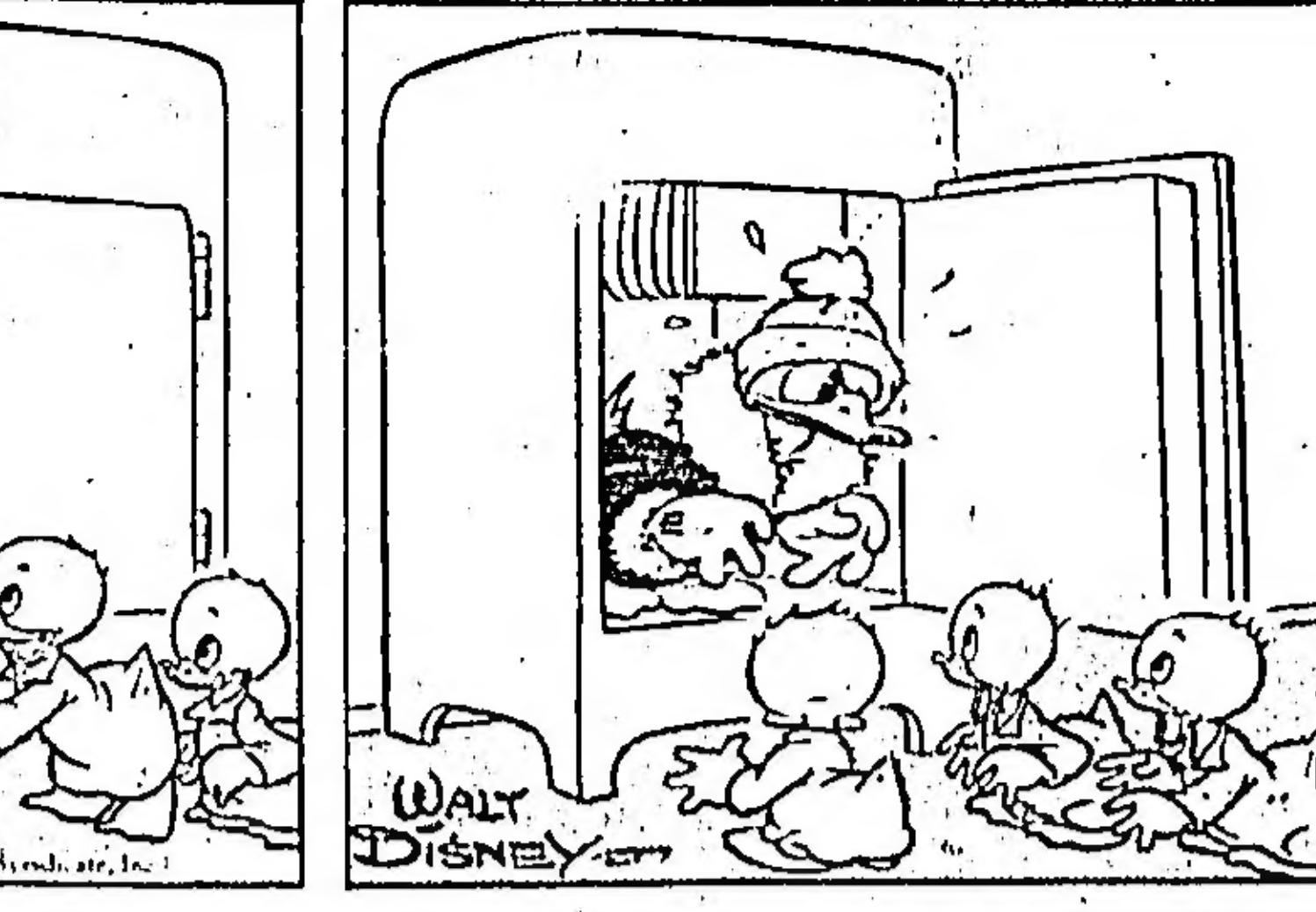
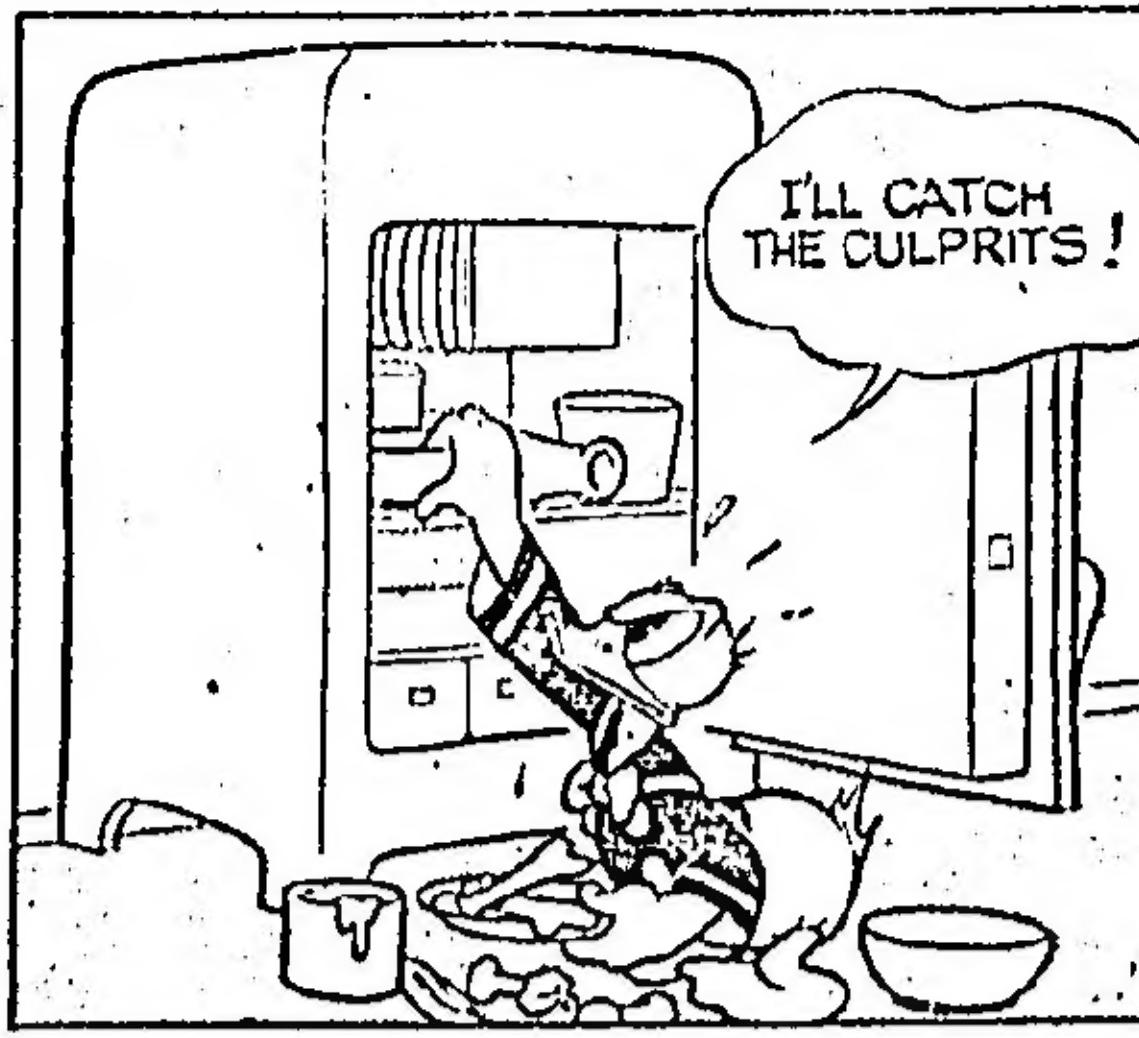
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Reds Use Out-of-Date Tactics

IN POLAND the Russians grabbed while the Germans fought. In Finland, the Russians are having to do their fighting for themselves.

So far they are not doing so well in Finland as they did in Poland. Nor are they doing so well as the Germans did in Poland.

The Russians are notoriously brave. But in modern war personal courage is scarcely half the battle, writes the military correspondent of the Daily Express.

A campaign requires thorough and elaborate organisation. The Russians are bad organisers.

The Swedish colonists in Finland, like Marshal Mannerheim, have inherited Swedish organising ability, and have placed their talents at their country's disposal.

The Finns are putting up a hard fight, and the Russians have, on their own admission, failed to score any outstanding success.

In the country north of Lake Ladoga the Russians claim to have made progress, while the Finns say the Russian troops have shown themselves unwilling to fight. Officers have to use revolvers to urge their men forward.

South of Lake Ladoga, on the isthmus separating the lake from the Gulf of Finland, the Finns have their strongest defences. They have withdrawn from a few outlying positions, but the Russians have made no real progress.

On land the Russians have made the mistake of attacking their enemy where he is strongest instead of where he is weakest. This suggests that they are still working on pre-1914 text-book methods—is some of their critics have said before now.

They have shown their failure to learn from recent military lessons by attempting to land troops (near Hanko) before achieving a decisive superiority.

In their bombardment of land forts, from the sea the fort came off better than the worshippers in the almost always have done in the past.

In the air, too, they have been ruthless without being really efficient. They have not organised either the military or civil defences of Finland. Their landing of troops by parachute lacked effect because it lacked surprise.

Russia's strength, as compared with Finland's, is overwhelming. It is far too soon to form optimistic forecasts, from the Finns' point of view, of the results of the campaign.

But it is safe to say that in such difficult country and against such tough fighters the Russians will find themselves in difficulties if they do not improve their methods.

They have been over-confident and careless.

"Our Gracie" And The Navy

On January 7 Gracie Fields received an enthusiastic welcome from the Navy when she went to the town hall of a Scottish port to sing to 2,000 officers and men.

Thousands gathered in the City Square to await her, and women and children tried to shake hands with her through the open windows of the car.

Sailors and marines had to rescue her when the crowd had broken through the police cordon, and pushed the car to the door of the hall.

She sang for over half an hour and then went into the body of the hall to talk to some of the men. In the evening she gave another performance which was broadcast.

She lunched on a warship and visited a battleship in the evening.

The visit was made at her own request, and she is returning now to France to continue her programmes for the troops there.

FILM STARS RESCUED

MADELEINE CARROLL, Douglas Fairbanks jun., Tullio Carminati and Lynne Overman were rescued by film director Edward H. Griffith and others using "native" canoes when an improvised river boat foundered in a lake near Hollywood.

They were making an African film, says Reuter.

Mr. Griffith was the director of the films "Ladies in Love," "Cafe Metropole," and "I'll Take Romance."

Small Patch Of France Is Poland

LONDON.—Four acres of Franco have become Polish soil with full extraterritorial rights and a provisional lease of 99 years.

When Polish President Vladislav Raczkiewicz signed the lease, the Polish Government became a freehold tenant of France just as the Belgian Government under King Albert did in the last war. When the Belgians had been given back their old country by the French and the British they gave back their four acres to the French. The Poles will do likewise.

The new Poland is in the beautiful chateau country of the Loire. President Raczkiewicz, General Ladislav Sikorski the Polish Premier, and M. August Saleski the Foreign Minister will reside there. The Polish Treasury will also be moved to the chateau, and several inexpensive student's boarding-houses will be empty as Polish civil servants move south to the new Poland. —Our Own Correspondent.

"TINY DOT" BUYS CARS

Inaccessible Island In Pacific

ONE of the smallest and most inaccessible islands in the world, Niue lies in the vastness of the South Pacific Ocean, "a dot on the horizon" to ships that raise her.

Seventeen miles long and eleven miles wide, Niue is an island of the "raised coral" type.

Because of its configuration and because it is entirely surrounded by a coral reef, Niue has no harbours.

Passengers and cargoes destined for the island must be taken in on small boats through a narrow passage cut in the coral reef.

Although the visitor reaching shore at Niue for the first time is doubtless prepared to see many strange customs and queer sights in this little outpost of civilization, he is somewhat taken aback when one of the first things that meets his gaze is a modern automobile. Niue boasts a fleet of eighteen, all Fords. Ford trucks and commercial cars dating from 1931 to 1937 account for 11 vehicles, while Ford passenger cars dating from 1929 to 1931 account for the remainder.

Build Own Roads

The residents of Niue have constructed a system of roads which enable them to utilize modern motor transportation in carrying on their two principal occupations, the production of copra and the raising of bananas.

Until recent years they depended solely on the production of copra, the dried kernel of the coconut, for a livelihood. During that period the island was almost isolated from civilization, being visited only two or three times a year by sailing vessels from Auckland, New Zealand. Then an unprecedented decline in the market value of copra forced the islanders to turn elsewhere for the principal source of their livelihood.

Connection To N.Z.

It was at this juncture that modern transportation, both ashore and afloat, came to the rescue. Although a coral island with an average soil depth of only six inches, uncultivated rainfall, and a complete absence of running streams, bananas and other tropical fruit have always grown well on Niue. Inauguration of a regular schedule from Niue to the port of Wellington, N. Z., by the Government motor vessel *Maul Pomare* provided frequent refrigerated cargo service, enabling the islanders to capitalise on the banana crop. Annual shipments for the New Zealand market soon reached thirty thousand cases, and Niueans had a new source of income to replace the devalued copra.

Improvement of land transporta-

Further Details of Remarkable Incident

TANKER CREW TRIED TO SAVE HALF SHIP

INDIA'S VAST RESOURCES BEHIND ALLIED CAUSE

Her Troops Protecting Empire From Red Sea To Singapore

IN THE COURSE of a recent dispatch to his newspaper, "The Times" correspondent in India gave a detailed account of the war efforts being made in India in various ways. He had also referred to the sending of troops and R.A.F. units from India to Malaya and other places of strategic importance.

"Even the Congress party," he says, "while seeking some specific assurance as to the future constitution, is in agreement with all other political parties in expressing hostility to Nazism and all it represents."

Engines Work Again

By night-time the engines were working again and there was electric light. A third boat had now come alongside, but the fourth was still missing.

The front part of the San Alberto's remains were prevented from being torn to pieces by the seas because the engines were kept going slow astern, but every time she came head to sea great strips of plating were torn away and the attempt to take her home had to be abandoned.

At 10 p.m. another vessel's lights were sighted, S.O.S. messages were sent out and she was asked to search for the missing boat, which she failed to find, and then to stand by.

This ship, the Belgian tanker Alexandra Andre, made attempts next morning to pick up the crew, but the seas were "running so high that the life-boat could get no closer than 20 feet. After two men had jumped into the water and been picked up it was decided to wait for the weather to moderate.

Warship To Rescue

The next night a searchlight was seen on the port beam and a despatcher appeared. The warship offered to attempt immediate rescue, but the captain of the San Alberto decided to await daylight in spite of heavy seas, darkness and the breaking up of the remnant of his ship.

Early next morning lines were passed to the warship and the crew were ferried over in floats. The crew of the fourth boat were eventually picked up by the steamer Maclaren and landed after five days.

It is understood that the bow-tunnel of the San Alberto, Malcolm Bain, lost his life after assisting in launching two of the lifeboats.

British Victory Vital To African Natives

THE unofficial leader of the Tanganyika Legislature, Sir William Lovick, speaking in the Budget session said:

"The native of this country, this converted parlor of the African continent, has more fear of the result of losing the war than ourselves than anyone else in the Territory."

"It is most clearly in war, the result of which must be of great and immediate interest to all Africans, especially Africans in this part of Africa."

The Government to confirm this view, and Inter the Government compiled with this request.

SLIPPERS FROM OLD HATS

WOUNDED soldiers in the Vienna military hospitals were without slippers. Their need has now been met by the Nazi women's organisation, whose members made 700 pairs out of old felt hats:

tion on the island was almost simultaneous with the coming of the steamer. The "Maul Pomare" was launched at Dublin in September 1927. The first of the present fleet of eighteen Ford cars appeared on Niue in 1928.

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In Long Lost Caves Of Antiquity

LONDON.—From the outskirts of London there comes a story which underlines once more the age-old moral that while it may be true that "wishing will make it so," it is a good deal quicker to get what you want by going out and looking for it. Like all good local authorities, these days Greenwich Borough Council wanted a good deep underground air-raid shelter. Unlike most other local authorities who either build one or wish for it, Greenwich adopted the course of sending out an expedition composed of one "diviner" with a twig and one party of surveyors, with electrical resistance survey, to hunt for an air-raid shelter.

50 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1890.

Do not have your girlie too tight—it will make you uncomfortable, will deceive nobody, and will probably make your nose red. And the simple little round will probably do much good than a mile of practice tape.

For wherever old pearl-powder may stick, leaves the tip of your nose bare and shining, the instant you put your hand down, and there is no hope anywhere.

25 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1910.

The Admiralty states that this morning a British patrolling squadron with battle cruiser and light cruisers under Rear-Admiral Beatty, and a destroyer flotilla, under Commander Tyrwhitt, sighted four German battle cruisers, several light cruisers and a number of destroyers apparently making for the English coast.

They were immediately pursued and

shortly after one o'clock the Blucher, which had previously fallen out of the formation, sank.

Rear-Admiral Beatty reports that two other German battle-cruisers were seriously damaged but were able to continue their flight and reached an area where the danger of German submarine and mines prevented pursuit.

They found one. Or at least they have found a possible one and are deciding whether it will do.

It seems that somebody on the Council remembered that nearly a century ago some large caverns under Blackheath were closed up and their location lost to subsequent generations. It was proposed that the Council try to find them. The survey succeeded in locating the entrance, and, having burrowed down, the expedition discovered what looks like a ready-made air-raid shelter with three large rooms and water laid on. There is a well in the caverns in a fine state of preservation.

10 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1900.

On the eve of the Boxer Conference, Gen. Yuan Tung announced a scission of his own when a Russian squadron today steamed through the Dardanelles, presumably with the previous knowledge and consent of Turkey.

Salvoes of gun-fire from the fortifications of British ships brought huge crowds into the streets, gazing at the unprecedent spectacle of two Russian warships steaming slowly towards the Black Sea and dipping their flags in salute when passing the firing Turkish batteries.

5 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1905.

Following an outbreak of hostilities between Japan and China at Kaying and Tschinkow yesterday, and a threatened further offensive by Japanese troops in that area, the Chinese authorities in Peking are reported to have approached the Japanese Consul with a view to effecting a partial settlement of a threatening situation.

Professor Grover Clark, of Wellesley College, in an address in Washington to-day to the National Conference discussing the status of our country and the world, said that the United States and other powers' failure to take a firm stand and make their peace machinery effective when Japan struck her first blow in Manchuria, he added that in the background of a militarised China, seeking revenge for all the injuries that had been inflicted upon her by the rest of the Far East by the West.

Harry Tate Has Heart Attack

LONDON, Nov. 16.—Mr. Harry Tate, the comedian, is seriously ill.

He had a heart attack last week, while appearing in a variety show at Eerdeec, and is at present resting at his home in Northolt, Middlesex.

Mrs. Tate told a reporter that her husband had suffered from nervous attacks following the recent air raids on Scotland.

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as the forces abroad, has an outstanding feature of the war organization in India.

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BLOCKADE POWER

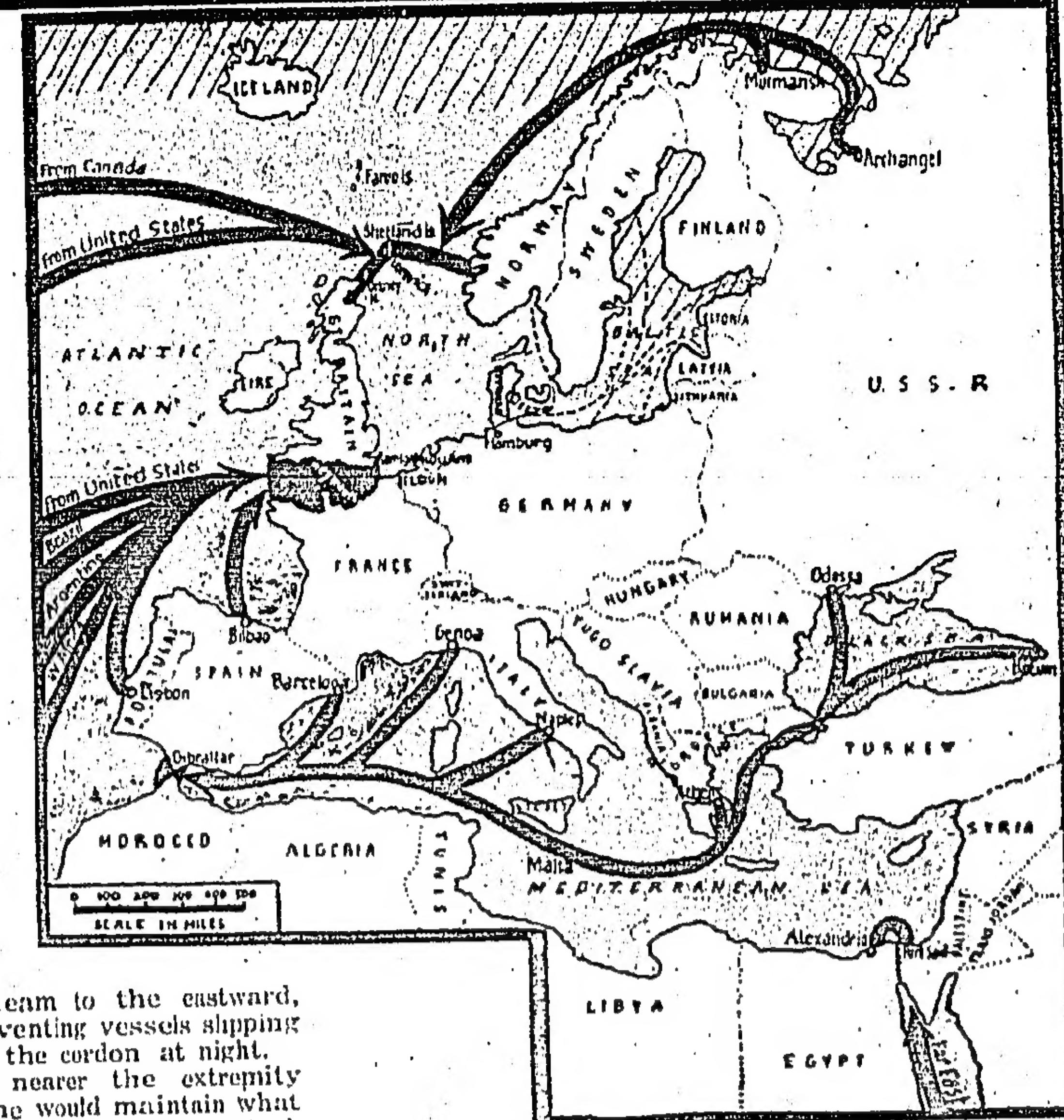
IN the detailed list of materials destined for Germany but detained by our Ministry of Economic Warfare we have proof of success which betters expectation. We learn that seizures of the very commodities essential to the maintenance of armaments are still piling up. The fundamental weakness of Hitlerism's policy of aggression is that in all the materials which modern warfare requires the territory of the Reich, with all that it has annexed, is singularly poor. This list of captures shows at once the extent of the dependence of German military effort on supplies which she cannot obtain from contiguous countries and the power of the blockade to stop supplies from overseas. In four months thousands of tons of petroleum and iron ore have been captured, tens of thousands of tons of manganese and aluminium ores, great quantities of copper, lead and zinc, and valuable amounts of rarer metals necessary in munitions. Materials for explosives and war stores bulk large in the list. The blockade has been specially effective against armament imports, and its effect is far greater than the figures exhibit. What is seized we can compute. What Germany had contracted for, but found no shipping to bring must be a far larger amount.

As a general rule ships were about 30 miles apart, since visibility for the look-out in the crow's nest was usually about 15 miles. Zig-zag courses were always steered to guard against submarine attack, and the general rate of steaming was 15 knots. In the centre of the line what was known as an "in and out patrol" was maintained.

Ships would steam in line abreast (i.e. on parallel courses) along the track of shipping for 30 or 40 miles in one direction, and then for a similar distance in the reverse direction. During the hours of darkness all ships

duced in Germany and Austria and Czechoslovakia. These oversize imports were absolute necessities of the armament programme. As the strain on munition factories is raised to a higher tension the imports are lost. Such is the prospect of Hitlerism in its first war winter. With the loss of imports Germany has also lost markets. Nearly half her export trade was done with Britain and France and neutrals overseas.

BLOCKADE NEWS REEL



would steam to the eastward, thus preventing vessels slipping through the cordon at night.

Ships nearer the extremity of the line would maintain what was known as a cross patrol, steaming backwards and forwards in line ahead, across the track of shipping, for a similar distance to the "in and out" patrols.

Figures Of Success

Throughout the period this patrol was in operation, only 1 per cent. of the merchant ships crossing the Atlantic managed to avoid the blockade. During the heaviest week recorded 156 ships were boarded and 58 sent into port for examination. Two armed raiders succeeded in getting through disguised as neutral merchantmen, but two were detected and sunk.

From May 1, 1918, to these control stations all blockade was maintained by vessels suspected of carrying contraband to German ports are laid between Norway and the Orkneys. Immediate examination conducted in the Fair Prize Courts in the Just way and the Island channel, hundreds of were sitting from September, 1914, and did not conclude their trials, patrol vessels, trawlers, and other small craft, fitted work until long after the signature of peace. Up to March 31, 1920, the amount which had passed through the Registry of

Contraband Control the Court was £21,254,412; and the amount which had passed through the Registry of the English Channel up to March 31, 1938, £6,770,927. In the English Channel the simple procedure. To-day, contraband control is conducted among the personnel of the Royal Navy and Fund for distribution among the Royal Navy and those who were attached to it in the Shetland Islands, during the Great War.

I Went Hungry In Germany

JUST before the first gun was fired against Poland I crossed the German frontier into Belgium at Aachen. For nine hundred miles I had followed German highways and by-ways on the road from Vienna watching what and how much was eaten by the peasants and townspeople.

"I am sorry, sir, but I cannot serve you steak," I was told at the restaurant in Vienna's once fashionable Ringstrasse.

The waiter would not meet my eye. He was one of the old-guard who remembered the "gay city" in the days before the Nazi blight cast shadows over the faces of his customers. He glanced to right and left, and then over his shoulder before he said quickly:

"Things have changed since the days when I first served you, sir. Hitler seems to curry favour with the poor people by bearing down upon those who are better off. But he is failing because whereas in the old days some ate very well indeed, and most of us sufficient, now the day is coming when none of us will eat anything at all."

Synthetic Coffee

So I ordered an omelette, and some brown bread and butter, and a bottle of wine. The wine was good, the omelette indifferent, and the butter creamy. When I asked for more butter, the waiter pretended not to hear. The Viennese know good wine, but they will not long care to live by that alone.

"If you would take my advice, sir—a liqueur," I had a brandy.

Prausau stands on the Danube, and until the Anschluss in March 1938, was a frontier town between Germany and Austria. Now it is a quiet country town in the heart of the Reich.

My hotel was a typical family establishment. I had my evening meal in a delightful garden overlooking the Danube, where, in happier days, the townspeople gathered to eat hugely and drink vast quantities of beer. But my only companion was a soldier, sipping out a glass of lager, and a family of four persons who ate coarse brown bread and cheese and drank nothing at all.

Not To-day

The waitress handed me a menu. It was a brightly-garnished affair, having four long columns of attractive-seeming dishes. I prepared to eat well. Four times I made careful choice, only to be told upon each occasion that that particular selection of dishes was "not available to-day." At last I told the waitress to bring me whatever she thought I should like best of those items which could be had.

My meal consisted of a poached egg, a small portion of brown beans, some rye bread. This was followed by stewed apples, unsweetened. For drink I had an indifferent lager.

Next morning I left without breakfast, determined to get a full meal at some larger place upon the road. I made my choice carefully, thought PLEASE Turn To Page



"Ho's nics, but he won't do—I couldn't possibly use one-man dog."

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

CHIANG'S WARNING TO POWERS

Chungking, Jan. 23.

A warning to friendly Powers against the implications of the agreement allegedly signed between Japan and Wang Ching-wei, as well as an appeal to the Powers to take immediate steps to help China, was issued this afternoon by Chiang Kai-shek.

It is understood that the Chinese Foreign Office has already communicated the text of the documents to various Embassies and Legations at Chungking.

Chiang Kai-shek's message to people of friendly Powers is as follows:

"As revealed in the 21 Demands and later in the Tanaka Memorial the present policy of Japan, as so boldly indicated in the agreement, is complete military, political and economic domination of China, making her a Japanese protectorate in all but name."

"If there were any doubt, it must now be clear to all that so long as the Japanese militarists dominate their country, a policy of aggression and conquest would remain unchanged."

"From the conquest of China to utilization of her manpower and resources it is but a short step to the conquest of Indo-China, the Malay Peninsula, East Indies, India, Philippines and hegemony of the Pacific, which is clearly outlined in the Tanaka Memorial."

"China has long realized the aims of the Japanese militarists and they have taken up arms in resistance regardless of the odds against her."

"Ruthless Warfare"

"We have been engaged in more than two and a half years of ruthless warfare, enduring avoid suffering, yet in our resistance against Japan we are fighting not alone for ourselves, but against grandiose Japanese ambitions, which take all nations in their purview."

"Beside the domination of China, with all that it entails, how meaningless are the gestures which Japan in her desperation is now tempting the Powers, such as the opening of the Yangtze, under Japanese military supervision, delimitation of the Manchurian and Mongolian boundary, cessation of the Tientsin blockade."

"I trust that the implication of the agreement is clear and that friendly Powers will immediately take positive measures to help China and restrain from furnishing Japan with resources for the conquest of China."

"It goes without saying that they should also refrain from any measures which in the exigencies of the moment they may be tempted to take, that may weaken Chinese resistance, which is clearly necessary to maintain the common cause of mankind."—Reuter.

United Press adds that the message stated that although the Wang-Japan agreement was invalid, nevertheless it was most significant and confirmed by Japan's own mouth the fact that whatever might be her professions and protestations her traditional policy of conquest was unchangeable as a leopard's spots.

Japanese Army Policy

Chungking, Jan. 22.

Further intensification in China's determination to carry on the war against Japan and a "complete disappearance of all possibilities of peace negotiations between the two countries" are stated to be the official reaction here to the publication of the reported terms of agreement between Wang Ching-wei and Japan.

Interviewed this evening, a Chinese Government spokesman declared that the Chinese were not surprised at the severity of the terms, as they represented the basic policy previously followed by the Japanese Army.—Reuter.

Newspaper Comment

Chungking, Jan. 23.

The papers devoted the entire front page to the Japanese-Wang agreement with lengthy editorials.

"Japan wants to make the Chinese slaves for many generations to come and never able to stand up again," writes the *Sao Tung Po*. "Besides military and police powers, the Japanese want to use all the Chinese to fight and die for them in the war with third parties by the anti-Communist alliance."

"Wang is liable to general arrest because he is a rebel and criminal and naturally has not the right to represent his country or sign an agreement. The agreement has no other value except an expose of Japan's ambitions and Wang's shamelessness."

Friendly Powers should realize that the Japanese want to exterminate the rights and privileges of the Western Powers."

The paper says of Kuo Tsung-wu and Tae Hsi-shen: "You are really ignorant. You make a mistake because of insufficient knowledge about the Japanese. Now it is the time for you to devote your energy to resistance and the nation's independence and freedom"—United Press.

America Must Give Help

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Without more foreign active support than is at present forthcoming Finland cannot hold out for much more than 10 weeks, according to reports from European agents of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace published by the President, Mr. Nicholas Murray Butler.

The gist of the reports is that if the United States does not help Finland the Scandinavian countries will succumb to aggression one by one.

"Britain is not in a position to give Finland much help because she needs all ammunition she can manufacture, and because it is felt that British intervention in support of Finland would almost certainly precipitate immediate direct German intervention in all the Scandinavian countries," state the reports.

Finland's present supplies of food and armaments, it is added, are very low and are likely to be exhausted when the weather conditions change in a few weeks so as to favour an overwhelming Soviet offensive.

Phoenix Park Raid Sequel

Two Of Accused Are Discharged

DUBLIN, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Two of the seven accused in connection with the Phoenix Park raid, in which a large quantity of arms was taken, have been discharged, information being refused against them.

More precautions than usual were taken by the authorities for the hearing. The gates leading to the court were closed and a strong force of armed military was stationed around the building.

In addition, an armed military and police force patrolled the passages and corridors in the court itself.

NO SOYA BEAN BLOCKADE

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. P. C. Lautus drew attention to the increase of soya bean purchases by Holland and certain Scandinavian countries since the war, and asked whether, in view of the fact that Germany is in great need of soya beans, Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister of Economic Warfare, would take steps to ration supplies that had reached contiguous neutral countries.

Mr. Cross replied that owing to the fact that certain contiguous neutral countries suppressed their trade statistics, it was impossible to give a complete answer, but the statistical evidence available showed that from the outbreak of war up to the end of November, no excessive importation had taken place.

The general situation could be regarded as sufficiently satisfactory and there seemed to be no immediate need for rationing, though of course that possibility was not being overlooked.

Duke Of Windsor At War Office

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Major-General the Duke of Windsor visited the War Office this afternoon in his capacity as Lieutenant Officer with the French Army, and had an interview with General Sir Edmund Ironside, Chief of Imperial General Staff.

Orazio's Death Roll Now 107

GENOA, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Latest lists published by the owners of the Orazio indicate that the number of victims of the disaster total 107, of whom 47 were passengers and 60 crew.

DEDICATION SERVICE Pentecostal Tabernacle, In Waterloo Road

The new Pentecostal Tabernacle at Waterloo Road, Kowloon, built at a cost of \$40,000, will be dedicated on Saturday next at 3 p.m.

The Hongkong Pentecostal Mission was established towards the end of 1907. The first Pastor, Mr. M. L. Chi, died on December 3, 1926 after a long illness which began in the early part of 1923. Mr. T. M. Sung succeeded him as Hon. Pastor in 1923. Mr. Sung was in the Hongkong Civil Service for 37 years, and retired in December 1937 to devote more time for Church work.

The branch mission in Kowloon was established in April 1926, and the church work is run by voluntary offering.

The Pentecostal Tabernacle situated in Castle Road, above Caine Road, was completed at a cost of \$45,000 and dedicated on July 10, 1937.

Asama Maru Incident

JAPANESE WANT AN APOLOGY

FROM BRITAIN
Tokyo Press Indignant
At British Action

Japanese resentment at the action of a British warship in stopping the Japanese liner Asama Maru on Saturday and removing 21 German passengers is rising rapidly. Press and official comment has assumed an angry tone and a country-wide anti-British campaign is being planned.

The Tohoku Party, Japanese ultra-Nationalist political group, arranged a demonstration at the British Embassy in Tokyo when they demanded an apology and the release of the Germans. Police were strengthened in the vicinity of the Embassy but no disorder occurred.

The promise of an official protest was fulfilled on Monday when the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs waited upon the British Ambassador and presented Japan's protest, along with a request for a "sufficient and solid" explanation.

Naval and Foreign Office representatives conferred and, it is understood, considered "self-defence measures" to be taken in the event of a repetition of Britain's action. These precautions are related particularly to three liners, now homeward-bound in the Pacific, two of which are known to carry Germans.

London's attitude is simply that the right to remove enemies of military age from neutral ships is recognized by International Law and is a right of which the Germans have already availed themselves.

Demand To Embassy

TOKYO, Jan. 23. The Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, had a conversation with Premier Yosida this morning regarding the Asama Maru incident and informed him of the protest lodged.

The situation was also discussed at a general meeting of Japanese Naval Commanders-in-Chief this morning.

Definite measures to be taken by the Navy in dealing with the prospective developments of the situation were discussed.

Cabinet Endorses Protest

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, submitted a special report to the Cabinet Council this morning.

Navy Ministers Yoshida and other Cabinet Ministers stated that they favored the Cabinet firmly endorsed the steps which have been taken by the Foreign Office and agreed to watch strictly the British reaction to the Japanese protest.—Domei.

It is reliably reported, states United Press that the British authorities warned Japan several days before the British cruiser halted the Asama Maru.

Position Of Other Ships

TOKYO, Jan. 23. "Measures of self-defence" are understood to be under joint consideration by the Foreign Office and the Navy Minister.

The joint consultation between the Foreign Office and the Navy Ministry which was started on Monday was continued this afternoon.

Urgent measures to be taken concerning three Japanese merchant ships which are in the Pacific en route home were discussed. The three ships are the Ginyo Maru and the Tatsuta Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, and the Laplata Maru of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

It is understood that to-day's conference discussed the following three points:

Firstly, prompt effectuation of the Japanese representations to Britain with a view to preventing the recurrence of incidents similar to that which occurred to the Asama Maru. Secondly, measures to be taken by Japanese ships in the event of the British Navy repeating its action despite the Japanese protest; and,

Thirdly, measures of self-defence to be taken in support of the Japanese claims on International Law.

More Germans Coming

Meanwhile, it is revealed that the Ginyo Maru, which left San Francisco on January 15, has taken 30 German seamen aboard from Manzanillo, Mexico, and that the Laplata Maru left Los Angeles on January 9 with 63 Germans bound for home aboard.

The Tatsuta Maru, which left San Francisco on January 18, was originally expected to take 512 seamen of the scuttled German liner Columbus. The Germans, however, subsequently cancelled their booking and an inquiry is being carried out to discover how many Germans are now aboard the ship.—Domei.

Release Expected

TOKYO, Jan. 23. It is authoritatively understood that the Japanese Government, following Monday's protest, are looking forward to the spontaneous release of the Germans removed from the Asama Maru by British authorities.

In the event of the British authorities failing to meet the Japanese expectation, it is understood that the Japanese Government is making all necessary preparations to request formally the release of the German passengers.

It is revealed that Mr. Tanii, in presenting the protest to Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador, informally told the British envoy that the detention of Germans by the British Navy has been made in accordance with the British Government's unilateral interpretation of International Law. Mr. Tanii further pointed out that there was no doubt that considerable difference existed in the views of the Governments of Japan and Britain. Mr. Tanii was understood to have stated that the Japanese Government would be obliged to make a formal request for the release of the passengers removed from the Japanese liner.

British Opinion

LONDON, Jan. 23. A summary of the terms of the Japanese Government's note protesting against the British action in removing 21 Germans from the Japanese liner Asama Maru has been received in London and is under examination.

No question arises as to the right of a British cruiser to exercise search of neutral ships on the high seas, nor is it suggested that the search was not carried out in a courteous manner. During the present war this right has been exercised without being questioned by any neutral Government.

Effective London Black-Out

LONDON, Jan. 23 (British Wireless).—Views on the information received from six civil pilots who have been making flights over London after dark regularly, stated that the black-out is so effective as to make navigation for these pilots often difficult.

It was reported that even on moonlight nights the city could not be distinguished from the country-side at heights above 10,000 feet.

Prior to the introduction of obligatory automobile headlamp masks all main thoroughfares were visible throughout their whole length but now the small side-lights of cars can actually be seen from a greater height than masked headlights.

One expert stated that the Thames was not so good a navigational aid as might be imagined owing to the clever black-out methods.

Although as far as citizens are concerned the inconveniences of the black-out of the early days of the war have been greatly relieved in various ways, yet the effectiveness of the black-out of London as a whole has been actually improved.

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Around The Courses

SHEUNGSHIU COURSE Championship & Men's Foursomes On Sunday

VON NIDA WINS
SOUTHERN P.I.
GOLF TITLE

MANILA, Jan. 10 (UP)—Norman von Nida, Australian professional and last year's Philippines open golf champion, to-day won the southern islands series at Cebu with a score of 202. Larry Montes, local player and another former open titleholder, placed second with 202. T. Miyamoto of Japan and Guillermo Navaja, local player, tied for third place with 205 each.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER IN FRANCE

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Army Football Association, now functioning busily again, have sorted down to 17 the players from whom they will pick the British Army team to play the French in Paris on February 11. The transport problem is easily solved by the team going by air.

The 17 chosen are:

Goalkeepers.—Riley (Liverpool) and Allen (Queens Park Rangers).

Full-backs.—Spriston (Manchester City), Beattie (Preston N. End) and Cook (Everton).

Half-backs.—Copping (Leeds United), Goslin (Bolton Wanderers), Cullis (Wolverhampton) Mercer (Everton).

Forwards.—Fagan (Liverpool), Stephenson (Leeds United), Cunliffe (Hull City), Gledhill (Bolton Wanderers), M. Edelson (Reading), Lawton (Everton), Welsh (Charlton Athletic) and Denis Compton (Arsenal).

A SIDE from these 17 will play an England team picked by the F.A. on the Crystal Palace F.C. ground on January 20.

All the 17, except Tom Lawton, the England regular centre-forward, are already in the Army, and he will be there by the time the French are played. It is possible that while

Cortes Plans Another Title Bout In Manila

MANILA, Jan. 23 (UP).—The boxing promoter, Jes Cortes, is negotiating for Little Dado to defend his flyweight title in Manila in March against Jackie Jurich.

they are in France the Army team will play two other matches, against French club sides.

In France the match is being awaited with the keenest interest. To them it will be an International affair between the two Allied countries.

Two interesting choices are Allen, the Queens Park Rangers' goalkeeper, and Denis Compton, the Arsenal outside left and England Test cricketer. When football broke up because of the war neither had established a definite position in his club's first team. Our Own Correspondent.

Badminton

Chinese "Y" Beat University "B" By 7-2

Playing in the "A" Division of the Badminton League yesterday, the Chinese Y.M.C.A. beat the University "B" by 7 games to 2. The scores were:

C. Au and H. Koh (Chinese "Y") beat T. C. Fang and S. L. Wong 21-11; beat C. K. Cheah and K. B. Low 21-16; beat K. L. Hui and P. K. Chan 21-6.

T. Koh and C. Y. Yung (Chinese "Y") beat Fang and Wong 21-17; beat Chen and Low 21-8; lost to Hui and Chan 21-8.

Craigengower XI's v. Indian R.C.

The following will represent Craigengower C.C. first eleven in the League cricket match against the Indian R.C. on Saturday:

E. Zimmerman (Capt.), P. J. Armand, A. P. Esposito, I. Ismail, E. A. Lee, H. P. Lin, W. Hong, Biling, G. Souza, G. Winch, J. L. Youngs and F. R. Zimmerman Scorer, H. W. Handell, Umpire, G. L. Lomax.

The second eleven against the Police will be represented by R. R. Irani (Capt.), N. R. Rose, A. Hung, J. V. Leonardi, T. Lock, A. M. Omar, C. W. Lom, and W. K. Way. Scorer, W. Handell.

Efforts To Keep Golf Going At Home

(By "Birdie")

THE FIRST ROUND MATCHES of the Country Club senior championship will be played during the morning of the coming Sunday. The afternoon will be occupied with first matches of the men's foursomes. The draw for the Championship was printed a few weeks ago, and that of the foursomes appears below.

With the opening of the new tees at four of the long holes, the course has been lengthened by 210 yards, making the total distance for 18 holes now 6,220 yards. Par remains the same—72.

The second hole has been increased by 52 yards, and is now 425 yards long. But the greatest addition has been to the third hole, which is now 535 yards. The increase of 90 yards has made it a much more difficult five.

The lie of the new tee, however, is awkward, for a direct line to the third green is across the corner edge of the second. But that, according to the line of the discs, is not the direction to take. It is the Committee's object to make the hole a mild dog-leg, but unless some sort of trap is placed across the straight line, I am sure there are several players who are going to take that direct route. I already know of one player who was standing near the second green, and who stopped a "fluffed" drive with his

The increase of 18 yards to the fourth hole was made through elevation. It is a blind hole of now 380 yards, with a very stony hill flanking the left, and a smaller hill directly ahead which has to be cleared.

The last addition has been to the 8th (now 575 yards). The extra 50 yards has curtailed the ambitious in that only the really long drivers now attempt to cross the out-of-bounds. It is a dog-leg, with the fairways at right angles, enclosing the penalty area. Straight down to the cross fairway is now about 280 yards, and the added length has made the hole a better five.

TAKING into consideration the difficulties of the greens, the present hardness of the fairways and the consequent handicap for iron shots, a 40 is now a pretty good score for the nine holes.

THE draw for the men's Foursomes is as follows:

C. Thom and A. R. de Pinna v. H. Alves and C. Roza Pereira.

J. B. Mackie and J. L. Litton v. J. J. M. Churn and A. T. Lee.

H. Kew and S. V. Gittins v. Geo. Lee and C. Kew.

F. E. A. Remedios and W. C. Hung v. B. Alves and C. E. Marques.

A. J. Kew and G. H. Suen v. A. A. Lopez and J. J. Basto.

C. H. Basic and H. R. de Pinna v. G. C. Anderson and A. A. Gutierrez.

A. W. Ramsey and R. E. Lee v. F. X. Silva and M. F. de Pinna.

P. K. Tyau and T. Y. C. Lee v. E. Sadlek and B. Basto.

The Championships matches are:

F. E. A. Remedios v. J. J. Basto;

S. V. Gittins v. H. Kew; A. A. Lopez v. A. T. Lee; P. K. C. Tyau v. Geo. Lee; A. J. Kew v. T. Y. C. Lee; B. Basto v. E. Sadlek; C. H. Basic v. E. J. M. Churn; F. X. M. Silva v. A. W. Ramsey.

The weather was bitterly cold with heavy rain, but still £325 was collected.

On a similar afternoon during December, Cotton partnered R. B. Booth, a Cambridge undergraduate, against E. A. Grahame, local pro, and W. H. Halestead, another Undergraduate, at Gog Magog, and won on the last green. Over 500 people turned out for the game and £100 was collected.

Through matches in which he has appeared, Cotton has now raised approximately £4,000.

WHILE every support is being given to these matches on behalf of charity, Prince's Golf Club, Sandwhich, is about to close down for the duration of the war. During the last conflict, the Club was requisitioned by the War Office, who paid a good sum in recompence. This time the War Office have no use for the ground, and a few members are about to use the course.

With a Club membership of over £2,000, a private fund has been started among the members, who have also been asked to forward the annual subscription in order to maintain the greens.

Perhaps the Club will receive assistance from the war-time committee appointed by the English Golf Union to assist affiliated Clubs numbering some 1,200, to continue activities during the next six months.

The Union has recommended to police that the case was postponed and accused were released on bail in a sum of \$10 each.

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4-Human lord	9-Pack tightly	12-Old fashioned	17-Newspaper
5-Gown	10-Embossed in	13-Grape jelly	18-Obtained only at
6-Human	14-Imbedded in	19-Chokes	20-House measure
7-Hair	21-Ground	22-It is large	23-It is large
8-Hair	24-Douglas of Ischia	25-Large poem	26-Large dollar
9-Hair	27-Little poems	28-Little poems	29-Little dollar
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WHEN the attack came no officer at the party had been armed; but the Datu standing by the table where the side arms had been laid had with almost drill-like precision picked up a service revolver and emptied its cartridges into the body of the Juramentado.

Canavan kept the vigil at Manning's quarters, where Mrs. Manning lay sleeping under the effects of a sedative. When she awoke she would need looking after.

Linda waited on the porch. In the face of such tragedy they talked in whispers and there were long pauses when they seemed to lose themselves, or be hypnotised, by the false serenity of the night.

The whole village was still—with fear and sorrow rather than sleep, and the waters of the lagoon lay at their feet like a smooth metallic shield under the moon. "Poor thing, she was so happy." Linda murmured.

Canavan rolled a cigarette and looked at her wistful profile. "I hear you're going back by the same boat."

"Yes." "What made you come out anyway?"

"I was in the earthquake in San Francisco. There was death and dying all around me. I heard people crying out—calling names. Suddenly I was screaming Father! Father! I hadn't seen him for years—he was a thousand miles away and yet I called to him—Funny, wasn't it?"

"No. People always have to have someone to call to when they're in trouble. You learn that when you attend to the dying. If they haven't got somebody, they invent somebody."

In the room behind them came the strangled voice of Mabel Manning, crying her husband's name.

Canavan went in swiftly and Linda saw him bend over, soothing, professional, saw him mix the sedative that would blot out the torture of consciousness from the woman's brain.

After a while she turned away and walked slowly back to her father's quarters across the deserted parade grounds. No light shone but the one from the house she had just left. Her heart filled with pity—and with pride, too, thinking of the man who fought with such kindly weapons against the battalions of despair.

HARTLEY, as the new commanding officer cracked out his orders.

Double sentry duty, every Moro in the village rounded up and put in the guardhouse . . .

"McCool, I want a stockade built around the fort at once and beyond that barbed wire—nobody is to be allowed inside without a pass!" He knew what was coming, he could feel the tension in the man before him.

"Captain," the Irishman's anguished voice said, "if a Moro can go Juramentado, why can't a white man? Give me a squad."

Hartley banged the desk with his fist. "There are to be no expeditions—alone or in groups!"

McCool saluted sharply, his Irish face unusually grim.

Hartley strode over to the hospital and marched through the sick wards where every cot was filled with the still figures of Philinos. He found Canavan in conversation with the padre.

"Look here, Canavan! What's this business of turning your hospital into a refuge for slackers? I want them turned loose. There's nothing the matter with them."

"Yes, there is," Canavan answered. "The Moro that struck down Manning struck them down, too, but not with a kris. They're down with a disease medicine can't cure, fear."

"Rubbish! Those men will be all right when they learn to handle a gun."

"What's the use of a gun when your fingers are so paralyzed with fright you can't pull the trigger?" Canavan said with considerable violence.

For answer Hartley turned and issued an order to the Sergeant at the door of the ward: "Sergeant! Get those men out of there and have them report to duty at once!" Without another glance at Canavan he left the ward.

Canavan looked after him disgusted. "All he knows is what comes out of a book of regulations. He's so hippled on uniforms—"



THE REAL GLORY

into the jungle on his murderous mission. "We've got to head him off," Canavan said, and motioned with his hand for Miguel to follow him.

But neither of them noticed the upturned faces of three Moro warriors on the outskirts of the camp, scrutinizing their two figures outlined against the rock by the flickering fires below.

Neither Canavan nor the boy was aware that they, too, were being followed.

A BOLA sang through the air and out over the crude bamboo footbridge across which the Juramentado was running with long, effortless strides. It twisted around his neck, and as he raised his hands to tear loose the rawhide thong that choked him his kris clattered onto the bridge. In a split second Canavan was on him, pinching his wrists.

Miguel gave a shout of alarm.

And all three started down the jungle path.

Canavan himself almost plunged into death but managed to hoist himself to safety with the help of Miguel. He jerked the rope to which the Juramentado was tied.

"All right, Hank," he said to the sprawling Moro. "Giddap!"

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1.30 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

1.40 Dvorak—Concerto in B Minor.

Op. 104—Paul Casals (Cello) and the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Georg Szell.

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1.50 London Relay—Rural Background to Wales.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 An Hour of Dance Music.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Negro Spirituals.—Run, Mary, Run (arr. Gulon), Nobody Knows De

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

Conditions on the market remain quiet and are likely to do so until the somewhat clouded political sky clears up.

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The fifth annual exhibition of the Hongkong Philatelic Society opened yesterday afternoon in the Boardroom of the South China Morning Post Building. Similar to exhibitions in the past, there is shown an excellent array and variety of philatelic pursuits according to the members' inclinations. The exhibit is limited to members of the Hongkong Philatelic Society who have put into very fine work into the preparation of their exhibits.

As stated in the programme, postage stamps celebrate their centenary this year, having been introduced first in Great Britain in 1840. Of the thousands of rulers portrayed on postage stamps Queen Victoria is easily the most pictured of all monarchs. Not only can this be attributed to the sixty years of her reign after stamps were issued but to the fact that the early stamps of all British Colonies featured her portrait. Her portrait first appeared on the 1c. 1840, Shanghai print.

The rarest exhibit is another special one arranged by the Davids Stamp Company. Here is shown the Foochow Neutrality 3c. 1912, in a sheet of 100 stamps and several blocks of four which are both unusual items. Included also is a pane of 16c. 1894, Shanghai print.

The exhibition will be open from 3 to 8 p.m. to-day. There is no charge for admission.

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The following awards were made:

Silver Gilt medal—Mr. H. E. Drew, for a fine collection of Hongkong postmarks;

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CLOSEST CO-OPERATION WITH BRITISH CZECHS WILL RAISE ARMY IN BRITAIN

FOLLOWING the official recognition by the British Government of the authority of the Czechoslovak National Committee, headed by Dr. Eduard Benes, energetic measures are being taken by the Committee to expedite recruiting in Britain for the Czechoslovak Army.

LATE NEWS

New Tokyo 'Hands Off' Warning

N.Y.K. Ships En Route To Japan

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HERTZOG DEMANDS PEACE

Remarkable Speech To S. African Parliament

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—The Parliamentary galleries were crowded when General Hertzog moved a resolution that the time had come for the state of war against Germany to be ended and peace restored. He said that he would consider it a gross neglect of duty if he did not seize this first opportunity to utter a warning and insist on a peaceful settlement.

Very bitter passions were being stirred and all previous opportunities to discuss peace terms were rejected. This was lending to Armageddon.

"Responsible people must feel that this dishonorable state of international lunacy should be ended," he said.

General Hertzog contended that the accusation that Germany aimed at world domination was completely unfounded and unjust. He concluded by saying that the declaration of war was the greatest blunder ever committed by South African statesmen and had made the Union sink to the level of a vassal state of Europe.

Chapter From "Mein Kampf"

General Smuts, the Premier, said that General Hertzog's speech was one of the most amazing he had ever heard. With South Africa at war, the former Prime Minister had no word to say to support his own country, but had presented the enemy's case. General Hertzog's speech read like a chapter from "Mein Kampf."

General Hertzog's presentation of the case was a complete distortion of the facts. General Smuts maintained that the unadjusted and overwhelming attack of Poland by Germany caused the war, and he drew loud cheers when he added that the facts were precisely contrary to General Hertzog's position.

Irrevocable Decision

Hitler's peace offers have been made after "the martyrdom of Poland." Versailles should not be an excuse for the domineering policy of Hitler during the last few years.

"Versailles had failed to be a blot on Europe. Hitler is a blot far more dangerous than Versailles. Something quite new has appeared, and that is the spirit which has given rise to the war now raging against the bully and extermination of the small man."

General Smuts added that a separate peace was now quite out of the question. Parliament's decision was irrevocable.

Smuts Wins Vote

Amid cheers, the amendment introduced by General Smuts re-affirming the resolution of September 4, severing relations with Germany, was adopted.

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LONDON, Jan. 24 (UP).—ANOTHER BRITISH WARSHIP HAS BEEN LOST. THE ADMIRALTY OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCES THAT THE 1,475 TON DESTROYER EXMOOUTH HAS BEEN SUNK EITHER BY A MINE OR A TORPEDO.

IT IS FEARED THAT THERE ARE NO SURVIVORS.

The Exmouth is a sister-ship of the Grenville which was sunk this week in the North Sea.

Her peace-time complement is 175.

The Exmouth is the fifth destroyer to be lost, the others being the Gypsy, Blanche, Duchess and Grenville.

She was launched on February 7, 1934 and was commissioned on October 21 of the same year.

She cost £280,000 to build.

The vessel was launched at Portsmouth Dockyard. She was armed with five 2.4 in. guns and eight 21-in. torpedo tubes.

Captain Benson Lost

A "Reuter" message states that H.M.S. Exmouth was commanded by Capt. R. S. Benson who, with the 175 members of the crew, is feared lost.

Captain Benson is well-known in Hongkong, where he commanded the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla from 1935 to 1937. He was stationed in H.M.S. Duncan whilst on China Station, and left here in 1937 to join the staff of the R.N. War College at Greenwich.

Captain Benson specialised in gunnery and attended courses at the Staff College and the Imperial Defence College.

He was in the Royal Navy for 35 years, serving throughout during the last war, when he was a sub-lieutenant and Lieutenant in H.M.S. Superb, Grand Fleet.

During the Jubilee Naval Review, Captain Benson commanded H.M.S. Montrose and the Tenth Flotilla Squadron.

Entering Osborne as a Cadet in September, 1905, Captain Benson was selected to specialise in gunnery in 1917, qualified as a Staff Officer in 1930 and attended the 1934 course at the Imperial Defence College.

Trawler Crew Presumed Dead

LONDON, Jan. 23 (British Wireless).—The Admiralty announced that as a result of H. M. Trawler Vulture being overdue, the personnel of ten are missing, presumed drowned.

Increasing Old Age Pensions

Commons Statement

LONDON, Jan. 23 (British Wireless).—As a result of the consideration of the Government has been given to old age pensions. Chancellor of the Exchequer outlined in the Commons his intention of plans for supplementary pensions payable through Post Office to those who, on an investigation of household means, were found to require them.

The plan also envisages enlargement of the benefits of the Contributory Pensions Scheme to include wives and insured women over 60.

Sir John Simon mentioned that while there are nearly 3,000,000 old age pensioners the latest information showed that about 275,000 have satisfied the Public Assistance authorities of their need for additional relief.

Nothing To Report

PARIS, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—To-night's French communiqué states that there is nothing to report.

Wang Ching-Wei's Secret Pact

CHUNKING, Jan. 23 (Central).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek late tonight issued a lengthy message to the peoples of all friendly Powers concerning Wang Ching-wei's secret agreement with Japan, exposed by Tao Hsi-sheng and Kao Tsung-wu in Hongkong on Jan. 22.

Generalissimo Chiang says that while the agreement, covering "fundamental points for the readjustment of Sino-Japanese relations," by an expelled traitor naturally holds no validity, yet it is of striking significance, as it confirms by Japan's own mouth the fact that whatever her professions or protestations, her traditional policy of conquest could be no more changed than a leopard could change its spots.

He then proceeds to say:

Complete Domination

"The spirit of the so-called agreement for a new order in Asia speaks for itself.

"As revealed in the Twenty One Demands and later the Tanaka Memorial, which had as its thesis 'In order to conquer the world Japan must first conquer China; in order to conquer China Japan must first conquer Manchuria and Mongolia,' the present policy of Japan, as so baldly indicated in the agreement is complete military, political and economic domination of China, making her a Japanese protectorate in all but name.

Conquest of Far East

"If there were any doubters it must now be clear to all that as long as the Japanese militarists dominate their country, the policy of aggression and conquest will remain unchanged.

"From conquest of China and utilisation of her manpower and resources it is but a short step to the conquest of Indo-China, the Malay Peninsula, the East Indies, India and the Philippines, and to a hegemony of the Pacific clearly outlined in the Tanaka Memorial.

"China has long realised the immutable aims of the Japanese militarists and taken up arms for resistance regardless of whatever the odds against her.

"We have engaged in more than two and half years' of ruthless warfare, enduring untold suffering."

"Yet in our resistance against Japan we are fighting not alone for ourselves but against the grandiose Japanese ambitions which take all nations in their purview."

Meaningless Gestures

"Besides the domination of China with all that it entails, how meaningless are the gestures with which Japan in her desperation is now tempting the Powers, such as the opening of the Yangtze under Japanese military supervision, demilitarisation of Manchurian and Mongolian boundary and cessation of the Tientsin blockade!"

"I trust that the implication of the agreement is clear, and that friendly foreign Powers will immediately take positive measures to help China and refrain from furnishing Japan with resources to conquer China."

"It goes without saying that they should also refrain from any measures which, in the exigencies of the moment, they may be tempted to take that may weaken Chinese resistance, which is clearly so vital to mankind."

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As They See It Abroad



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NEW TRADE
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America's Straight
Reply To Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).

State Department officials today made it plain to the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Horinouchi, that the United States will not negotiate for a temporary agreement to replace the commercial pact which is expiring at midnight on Friday.

The Ambassador was told that no changes in the tariff nor other matters regulated under the treaty were anticipated as a result of the expiration, but he was advised that the whole future of Japanese-American trade relations depends on developments.

Specific Questions

The Ambassador went to the State Department to make specific inquiries regarding what could be expected after the expiration of the treaty. He had an appointment with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, but Mr. Hull is confined to his home with an incipient cold. Mr. Horinouchi conferred for more than a half hour with Mr. Adolf Berle, Assistant Secretary of State.

The Ambassador asked specifically whether the expiration of the treaty would result in any change in the import duties on Japanese products or port tonnage rates against Japanese ships; secondly whether there was any possibility of an exchange of notes between the two governments regarding the status of trade relations; and, thirdly, what would be the status of Japanese merchants and traders in the United States after the expiration.

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Why Graf Spee Was Defeated

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The Graf Spee's crew, they said, were abnormally young, from 17 to 22. Some of them had never been afloat before and were inexperienced and unhandy.

"They were not seamen and did not know the first thing about it," said one captain.

"If they could do anything wrong, they did it," he said.

Demoralisation

The British prisoners watched the demoralisation of the crew through a porthole. Many of the men were demoralised at the first sight of the killed and wounded, and were physically sick, although when they were sinking merchant ships they were full of glee.

The British prisoners had the same food that the crew had, and in the opinion of some of them, "it was not enough to enable a man to do a full day's work."

The Graf Spee's crew were mortified when a merchant captain, whose ship they had sunk under the impression that it carried a cargo of wool, told them (once the ship was at the bottom) that in fact she had been carrying 8,000 tons of meat and butter and cheese.

Sometimes they carry in bulk cargoes of oil or grain which can be examined more easily than the mixed cargoes of American ships.

Navicert System Advocated

Again, Italian lines are more ready to give hold-back guarantees under which a ship can proceed to its port and the line holds up the cargo if the British control finds that it is contraband.

The British authorities are getting little information in London concerning American cargoes, and indeed, have received no information since Christmas.

Everything possible is done to get them away quickly, it is pointed out, but a great deal of delay could be avoided by the use of the navicert system.

They also believed that all the capital ships of the British Navy had been sunk along with the Ark Royal.

From the evidence of these captives, the Admiralty concludes that if this crew of the Graf Spee was a "cruel crew," the standard of the British Navy cannot be compared with that of the German Navy of 1914.

Co-operation Claim

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).

American shippers are co-operating to an amazing extent with the British Contraband Control to avoid unpleasant incidents, declared the officials of the State Department when informed of the British statement that Italian ships seemed more disposed to co-operate than American ships.

They said that co-operation by American shipowners included application to the British authorities for navicerts, supply of copies of their manifests by air mail and giving the so-called black diamond or "hold-back" guarantees.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that the subject was not one that could be denied with dignity and answer. He understood that the Opposition proposed to raise the matter shortly.

DRASTIC CUTS IN NEW U.S. FLEET POSSIBLE

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The possibility of a drastic reduction in the new fleet expansion programme was raised by Mr. Carl Vinson, Chairman of the House of Representatives' Naval Committee, when he asked the Navy Department to submit plans for a two-year building programme, which will replace the three-year plan.

Mr. Vinson said that fewer cruisers and submarines would be built if the

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Spain Enemies Now Comrades

Strange Anomalies In Finland

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Among the foreign volunteers to arrive in Finland to fight against Soviet Russia is an Italian air pilot, who passed through Germany on his way to Helsinki.

He told enquiring Nazis he was on his way to some winter sports.

The attack on Finland was a great mistake for the Bolsheviks, he said. All Italy feels great admiration for Finland, and the longer the war goes on, the more Italy's admiration grows.

An indication of the high ideals of the volunteers is provided by a Swedish detachment, which includes anti-Communists and anti-Nazis who fought on opposing sides during the Spanish war.

NEUTRALS LOSE MOST SHIPS

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Figures issued by the Admiralty show once again that last week the Nazis sank more neutral ships than British.

Britain lost four ships totalling 24,000 tons. Neutrals lost 11 ships totalling 35,000 tons.

During the same week (up to January 17), the record of safety in convoy was maintained, "at-one" lost in 500.

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS

Notice is hereby given that freight rates will be increased by approximately 15% effective February 23, 1940. A new tariff is now in preparation.

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Britain's New Speed Limit

20 M.P.H. During The Black-Outs

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Government has decided that there is an overwhelming case for the speed limit of 20 miles an hour in built-up areas during the black-out, announced Mr. Euan Wallace, the Minister of Transport, in the House of Commons to-day in debate on the increase of road accidents and deaths since the black-out was instituted.

Increased Road Fatalities

Mr. Wallace mentioned that during the period, from September 1 to December 31 last, namely the first four months of war, 4,123 persons, including 2,657 pedestrians, died from road accidents, compared with 2,494 in the corresponding period in 1938.

Mr. Wallace stated: "Until the day comes—and may it come soon—when we have destroyed a sufficient proportion of the German striking force in Europe, the menace of air-raids on this country no longer real, we are bound to maintain the black-out substantially in its present form."

The reduced speed limit comes into force on February 1.

FOOD PROBLEM WITH GASTRITIS

For years, doctors wanted to find a food that would not irritate the inflamed stomach walls of patients suffering from gastritis and that at the same time would rebuild the patient's strength. In severe cases of gastritis solid foods are out of the question, even liquid foods are often vomited. Yet the patient needs quick new strength to rebuild his exhausted body. In Horlicks, doctors and nurses have found an ideal food.

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DUKE TO LIVE IN PALACE

THE Duke and Duchess of Kent, who gave up their house in Belgrave-square, S.W., at the beginning of the war, are considering making Kensington Palace their future home. It has been empty since the death of Princess Louise at the beginning of this month.

The Duke is at present serving as a rear-admiral on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, and he and the Duchess have taken a house in Scotland near his base. But ever since they postponed their departure to Australia, for the Duke's term of office as Governor-General, Kensington Palace has been discussed as their possible future home.

Princess Louise left the greater part of her private fortune to the Duke of Kent, and it was her wish that after her death her home should become his.

As an executor the Duke is a frequent visitor to the palace, and each time he goes there he considers possible modernizations. Many thousands of pounds will have to be spent.

CZECH DEATH-ROLL IS 1,700

REPORTS reaching Budapest from Prague to-day give the total number of people so far killed by the Nazis as the result of the recent Czech demonstrations as 1,700.

The figure is given from an official Nazi source, adds that Jews accounted for one third of the total.

There have been several thousand further arrests in the past five days. The majority of those arrested are now in the concentration camp of Buchenwald.

STUDENTS ASHES IN BOX

Details of one incident showing the ruthlessness of the Nazi terror campaign are revealed.

The parents of a student named Obitnika received in a box the ashes of their son from the police. His sister then went to the University of Prague and told his fellow students.

About 200 students who knew Obitnika marched at once to the grave of the Czech Unknown Warrior, carrying the old flag of the city.

The Czech police tried to disperse them in a friendly manner, says Reuter, but the Nazi police intervened.

But now all five men struggled free to drift to earth and meet again in that French cafe.

The gunner who had been almost hanged said: "I was knocked unconscious by my parachute as it opened. When I came round I found myself lying on my back in a field among a herd of utterly unconcerned cows."

"Went To Sleep"

The pilot said: "I landed softly and was taken care of by the local gendarmes."

The wireless operator laughed. "I was chased by some bulls," he said. "I was still in full flying kit, but I reckon I nearly broke the record for the 100 yards. I escaped by vaulting over a 4ft. gate."

Another member of the crew thought he was in water as he fell through the clouds, and started to take off his goggles.

"Sprained an ankle on landing," he said. "Hobbled to the nearest house and went to sleep."

GIRLS WERE SHOT

The students returned to the university and Nazi police entered the building, savagely attacking an elderly member of the senate, who went to meet them.

From a lecture theatre the police then took 30 students and led them off. Later the same day 11 of them, 6 youths and two young women, were shot dead on the ground of the Slavia Football Club.

Lloyd George Looks Back

LONDON, (AP).—Mr. David Lloyd George was relatively restrained recently in a broadcast relating details of the sorry plight of the Allies on Dec. 6, 1939, the day he was appointed Prime Minister.

On this 23rd anniversary of his appointment, he said it had always pleased him to hear the oft-repeated ministerial phrase in alluding to some method or measures adopted in the current war. "That was only done in the third year of the last war."

"But that's not to say," added Mr. Lloyd George, "that everything now being done, that was done in the third year of the (World) War."

Small Buffer State Has 650,000 Men Mobilised

BELGIUM'S ABILITY TO RESIST NAZIS

BELGIUM'S ability to resist aggression and her co-operation with Holland in the building up of a defence system are stressed by Senator Paul Crockaert, President of the Commission of National Defence of the Belgian Senate and Minister of National Defence in 1933.

Senator Crockaert told the Brussels Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" that never before has Belgium possessed an army of its present size. To defend her lines Belgium had mobilized in full force the two military classes of her trained forces—about 650,000 men.

In addition they had at their disposal the third class of trained reservists not yet mobilized. Apart from that Belgium could call to her aid several hundreds of thousands of men, many of them youngsters.

"For our defence," said Senator Crockaert, "we can also rely implicitly on the Dutch."

"As to Belgium, she possesses three successive lines of defence. The first line, Campine-Liege-Ardennes, is divided into three sectors:

"The water sector from Lu Cambine with the Albert Canal.

"The bastion of the Fortress of Liege with its modern forts."

"I emphasize this point because if middle Holland is invaded we cannot go to her rescue."

Unguarded Corridor

"Between the Dutch Army, entrenched behind its water lines, and the Belgian Army, standing in its defence positions, there will be an unguarded corridor about 40 miles wide between Antwerp and the mouth of the Scheldt.

"An enemy coming from the east will not meet efficient resistance in this large corridor, which opens on the sea at the mouth of the Scheldt, either from Holland or Belgium."

"In conclusion let me say something about the extensions made by the Belgian Army during the past three months.

"I take credit for having created while I was Minister of National Defence, over and above the existing regiments, the regiment of Ardennes Chasseurs."

"When the war came this regiment was expanded to two divisions, which are in the front line of some part of the Forest of Ardenne."

"This may give an idea of our military effort in the last three months and of the military power which we have prepared for many years."

Thames 'Grave' For Radium Buried In Secret Repository

LONDON, (UP).—Fifty feet deep in the Thames gravel under Westminster Hospital a "safe deposit" vault is being constructed for the hospital's radium bombs and the contents—six grammes of Radium salts valued at between £30,000 and £40,000.

Fifty feet of steel tubing 15 inches in diameter, has been sunk into the gravel. An additional 10ft. brings the mouth of the well to the level of the radium bomb room.

The work has been carried out so that it may be possible to bring back the hospital's radium from a similar hospital in the Royal Cancer Hospital where it was deposited at the outbreak of the war.

"The first shots were immediately fired at the submarine. A shell from the 5in. gun found its mark and the submarine dived abruptly."

"The Sirocco dropped depth charges, then went again over the spot and dropped a further string of bombs."

"Just as the last bomb exploded, the bow of the submarine was seen to rise vertically in the wake of the destroyer. Then it suddenly plunged straight down and disappeared."

TO SAVE HIS MATES

HE RETURNED TO TORPEDOED SHIP

THE STORY of an engineer who risked his life by returning to a torpedoed ship to save his mates, was told when 22 survivors of the Arlington Court were landed at an Irish port.

The ship was struck without warning by a U-boat last Thursday.

For four days and nights the 22 men fought against Atlantic gales in an open boat.

Their food was three biscuits a day, washed down with water.

"The crew of 34 took to the boats—23 in one lifeboat; eight in another and three in a dinghy," Second Officer Claude Boothby of Leicester told the "Daily Herald".

"A south-west gale made the launching of the boats terribly difficult, and those who did not get into them quickly stood little chance of being saved."

Sir Walter Cline, in an interview, said that he hoped one result of the visit would be to show the British Government a more effective way of helping Finland if necessary.

"Second Engineer Richard Hughes of Holyhead, realized this—but he also knew that if water got into the engine room aboard."

The other two boats, containing 11 of the crew, have so far not been traced.

POST OFFICE

Restricted Parcel Post Service to Yunnan and Yenan Province has been resumed. Individual parcels in small quantities for personal use may be accepted.

A list of prohibited articles may be seen at the General Post Office.

Small Parcel Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are sent 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 10 a.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 10 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

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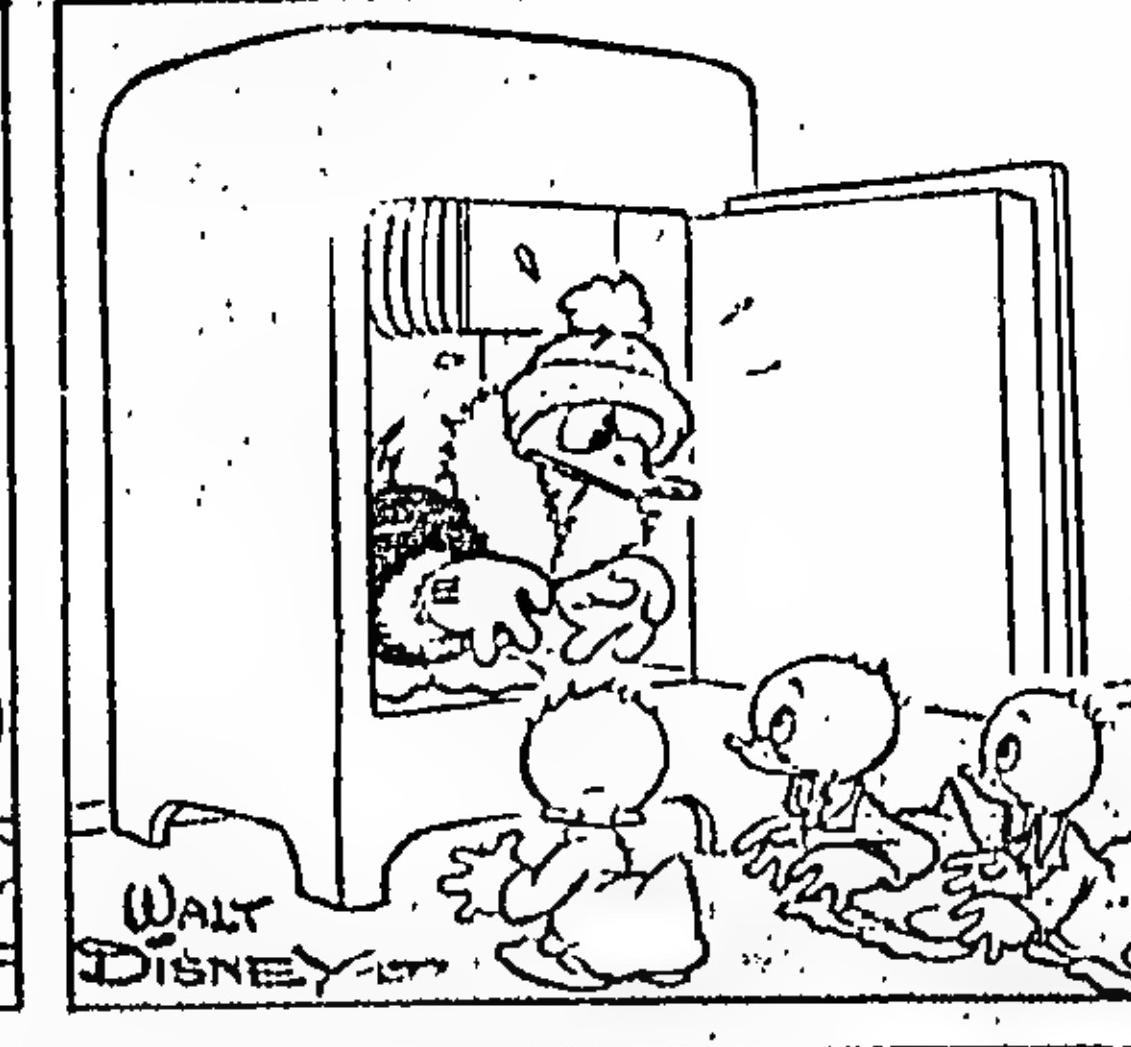
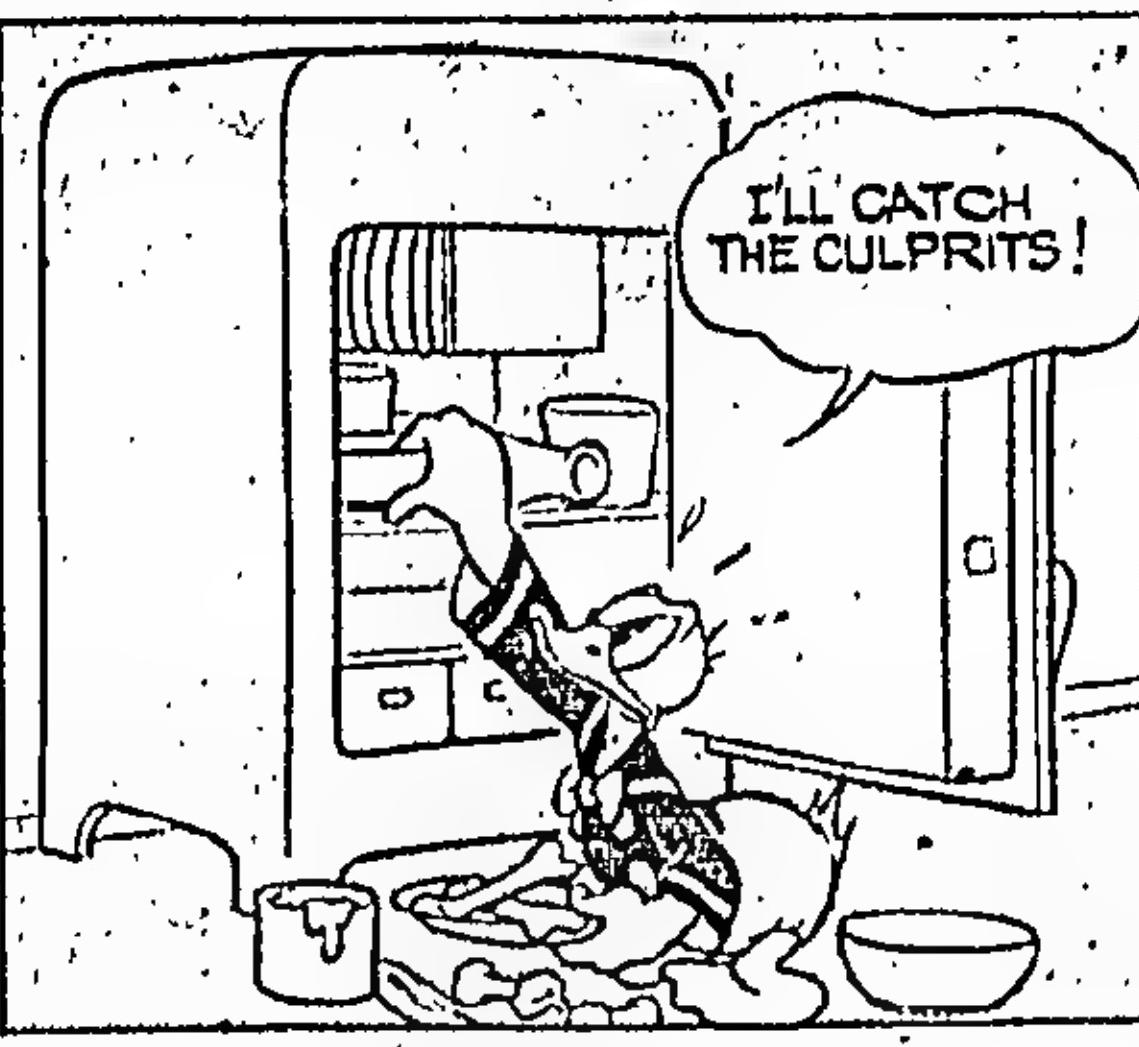
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Reds Use Out-of-Date Tactics

IN POLAND the Russians grabbed while the Germans fought. In Finland the Russians are having to do their fighting for themselves.

So far they are not doing so well in Finland as they did in Poland. Nor are they doing so well as the Germans did in Poland.

The Russians are notoriously brave. But in modern war personal courage is scarcely half the battle, writes the military correspondent of the Daily Express.

A campaign requires thorough and elaborate organization. The Russians are bad organizers.

The Swedish colonists in Finland, like Marshal Mannerheim, have inherited Swedish organizing ability, and have placed their talents at their country's disposal.

The Finns are putting up a hard fight, and the Russians have, on their own admission, failed to score any outstanding success.

In the country north of Lake Ladoga the Russians claim to have made progress, while the Finns say the Russian troops have shown themselves unwilling to fight. Officers have to use revolvers to urge their men forward.

South of Lake Ladoga, on the isthmus separating the lake from the Gulf of Finland, the Finns have their strongest defences. They have withdrawn from a few outlying positions, but the Russians have made no real progress.

On land the Russians have made the mistake of attacking their enemy where it is strongest instead of where it is weakest. This suggests that they are still working on pre-1914 textbook methods—some of their critics have said before now.

The have shown their failure to learn from recent military lessons by attempting to land troops (Genet Harbor) before achieving a decisive superiority.

In their bombardment of land forts from the sea the fort came off better than the warships—as they almost always have done in the past.

In the air, too, they have been rather without being really efficient. They have not disorganized either the military, or civil defences of Finland. Their landing of troops by parachute lacked effect because it lacked surprise.

Russia's strength, as compared with Finland's, is overwhelming. It is far too soon to form optimistic forecasts, from the Finns' point of view, of the results of the campaign.

But it is safe to say that in such difficult country and against such tough fighters the Russians will find themselves in difficulties if they do not improve their methods.

They have been over-confident and careless.

"Our Gracie" And The Navy

On January 7 Gracie Fields received an enthusiastic welcome from the Navy when she went to the town hall of a Scottish port to sing to 2,000 officers and men.

Thousands gathered in the City Square to await her, and women and children tried to shake hands with her through the open windows of the car.

Sailors and marines had to rescue her when the crowd had broken through the police cordon, and pushed the car to the door of the hall.

She sang for over half an hour and then went into the body of the hall to talk to some of the men. In the evening she gave another performance which was broadcast.

She lunched on a warship and visited a battleship in the evening.

The visit was made at her own request, and she is returning now to France to continue her programmes for the troops there.

FILM STARS RESCUED

MADELEINE CARROLL, Douglas Fairbanks Jr., Tullio Carminati and Lynne Overman were rescued by film director Edward H. Griffith and others using "native" canoes when an improvised river boat foundered in a lake near Hollywood.

They were making an African film, says Reuter.

Mr. Griffith was the director of films "Ladies in Love," "Cafe Metropole," and "I'll Take Romance."

Small Patch Of France Is Poland

LONDON.—Four acres of France have become Polish soil with full extra-territorial rights and a provisional lease of 99 years.

When Polish President Vladislav Raczkiewicz signed the lease, the Polish Government became a freehold tenant of France just as the Belgian Government under King Albert did in the last war. When the Belgians had been given back their old country by the French and the British they gave back their four acres to the French. The Poles will do likewise.

The new Poland is in the beautiful chateau country of the Loire. President Raczkiewicz, General Ladislav Sikorski the Polish Premier, and M. August Sleszki the Foreign Minister will reside there. The Polish Treasury will also be moved to the chateau, and several inexpensive student's boarding-houses will be empty as Polish civil servants move south to the new Poland.—Our Own Correspondent.

"TINY DOT" BUYS CARS

Inaccessible Island In Pacific

ONE of the smallest and most inaccessible islands in the world, Niue lies in the vastness of the South Pacific Ocean, "a dot on the horizon" to ships that raise her.

Seventeen miles long and eleven miles wide, Niue is an island of the "raised coral" type.

Because of its configuration and because it is entirely surrounded by a coral reef, Niue has no harbours. Passengers and cargoes destined for the island must be taken in on our boats through a narrow passage in the coral reef.

Although the visitor reaching shore at Niue for the first time is doubtless prepared to see many strange customs and queer sights in this little outpost of civilization, he is somewhat taken aback when one of the first things that meets his gaze is a modern automobile. Niue boasts a fleet of eighteen, all Ford. Ford trucks and commercial cars dating from 1931 to 1937 account for 11 vehicles, while Ford passenger cars dating from 1928 to 1938 account for the remainder.

Build Own Roads

The residents of Niue have constructed a system of roads which enable them to utilize modern motor transportation in carrying on their two principal occupations, the production of copra and the raising of bananas.

Until recent years they depended solely on the production of copra, the dried kernel of the coconut, for a livelihood. During that period the island was almost isolated from civilization, being visited only two or three times a year by sailing vessels from Australia, New Zealand. Then an unprecedented decline in the market value of copra forced the islanders to turn elsewhere for the principal source of their livelihood.

Connection To N.Z.

It was at this juncture that modern transportation, both ashore and afloat, came to the rescue. Although a coral island with an average soil depth of only six inches, uncertain rainfall and a complete absence of running streams, bananas and other tropical fruit have always grown well on Niue.

Inauguration of a regular schedule from Niue to the port of Wellington, N. Z., by the Government motor vessel "Maul Po" provided frequent reconditioned cargo service, enabling the islanders to capitalize on the banana crop.

Annual shipments for the New Zealand market soon reached thirty thousand cases, and Niueans had a new source of income to replace the devalued copra.

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Improvement of land transporta-

Further Details of Remarkable Incident TANKER CREW TRIED TO SAVE HALF SHIP

INDIA'S VAST RESOURCES BEHIND ALLIED CAUSE

Her Troops Protecting Empire From Red Sea To Singapore

IN THE COURSE of a recent dispatch to his newspaper, "The Times" correspondent in India gave a detailed account of the war efforts being made in India in various ways. He had also referred to the sending of troops and R.A.F. units from India to Malaya and other places of strategic importance.

"Even the Congress party," he says, "while seeking some specific assurance as to the future constitution, is in agreement with all other political parties in expressing hostility to Nazism and all it represents."

The Indian reaction to the seizure of Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland corresponded with the opinion of all the great democracies," he says.

"The Press has been unanimous both in condemning power politics and in condemning power politics in Europe and the Far East." Sympathy with Great Britain has found expression in a wide variety of offers of service and from each of all sections of the community, and although the Congress Party is withholding native support for the moment, its leaders constantly emphasize that they seek a realization of British intentions only that they may the more willingly collaborate in winning the war.

"Units of the Royal Air Force, normally stationed in India, have reinforced Imperial garrisons in Malaya and the Middle East. An Indian Air Force Volunteer Reserve is in process of creation; it will consist of five independent flights located at Karachi, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, and Madras. The personnel for these forces will be found in India.

"Illustrated all pilots and mechanics for the Air Force in India have been trained at Air Ministry establishments in the United Kingdom and elsewhere; now British, Indian, and Anglo-Indian personnel are being recruited, trained, and commissioned in India.

"The various civilian flying clubs have placed their resources at the disposal of the authorities, and nearly all pilots who hold the necessary licences have expressed their willingness to serve with the air forces.

Troops To Malaya

"The geographical position of India and her association with Great Britain endow the country with immense political and military importance, while her actual and potential assets in men and material are enormous.

"In conjunction with the Royal Navy, the Indian Army is helping to maintain peace over half a hemisphere. With troops in Egypt and Aden the country is assisting in the protection of the Red Sea; her influence is behind the friendly sheikhs of the Persian Gulf. Afghanistan, comprehensive of the intentions of Russia, has in India mountainous terrain stretching from the Arabian Sea to the Bay of Bengal.

"Indian troops in Singapore contribute to the safety of Burma and the Malay States, sharing with the British Navy in upholding peace over the northern seas of the Indian Ocean. East Africa looks to India for goods and reinforcements if necessary; Great Britain, the Dominions, and France obtain supplies from her.

New Recruitment

"The expeditionary forces of British and Indian troops which reinforce the garrisons in Egypt, Aden, and Singapore did so at the request of the British Government. The troops are fully equipped for their tasks in these places, and possess the latest mechanized first line transport arrangements for the expansion of the Indian Army are proceeding.

"Under a registration scheme designed to secure the services of 25,000 men, recruiting officers are examining the thousands who are flocking to the Colours. The men are not enlisted immediately. After examination they are returned to their homes, to await calling-up orders. Groups of Europeans are now being called up for service as officers and are undergoing training at Belgium. They represent only a few of the hundreds who are anxious to serve.

"While the authorities are ready to provide officers in larger numbers the unexpected course of the war has prevented the absorption of as many officers as was at first expected. The withdrawal of civilians from the armed forces and industry has been arranged in collaboration with the European Association, which has rendered the government notable service in the matter both of supplying officers and of the compilation of a national register. Arrangements to associate the

Supply Of Munitions

During the first two months of the war, the Department of Supply placed orders amounting to about £10,000,000 which is double the normal yearly output of the Indian Stores Supply and takes no account of the large quantities of munitions from the ordnance factories supplied during the same period.

The supply of munitions to Great Britain and the Dominions, as well as to the forces abroad, has been an outstanding feature of the war organization in India.

"Much is also being done," the "Times" correspondent points out, "in the dissemination of war news and authentic information regarding the British war effort. A Central Board of Information has been created to co-ordinate the production and publication of news through all existing channels. All India Radio has

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1890.
Do not have your giraffe too light. It will make you look pale, and will probably make your nose red. And the simple little remark will probably do more good than a mile of doctors' ipsi dixit on the painful position of a tight-laced liver. For wherever skin, pencil-powder, and such like are used, the skin becomes bare and shrinks the instant you put your puff down, and there is no hope anywhere.

25 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1916.
The Admiralty states that early this morning a British patrolling squadron, with battle cruiser and light cruiser, under Rear-Admiral Beatty, and a submarine flotilla, sighted four German battle cruisers, several light cruisers and a number of destroyers apparently making for the English coast. The enemy immediately made for home at high speed.

They were immediately pursued and action was joined at 03.00 by the battle cruisers Lion, Tiger, Prince of Wales, Royal, New Zealand and Indomitable, on the one hand, and the Derfflinger, Scharnhorst, Moltke and Blucher, on the other.

A well-contested running fight ensued and shortly after one o'clock the Blucher, which had previously fallen out of line, capsized and sank.

Rear-Admiral Beatty reports that two other German battle-cruisers were subsequently driven ashore to stand their guns and reached the entrance to the entrance, and, having burrowed down, the expedition discovered what looks like a ready-made air-raid shelter with three large rooms and water laid on. There is a well in the caverns in a fine state of preservation.

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So that if, after all, Greenwich Borough Council decide they have not found a ready-made air-raid shelter, they have at least found another little bit of history.

THEY FOUND ARP TUNNEL IN Long Lost Caves Of Antiquity

London

From the outskirts of London there comes a story which underlines once more the age-old moral that while it may be true that "wishing will make it so," it is a good deal quicker to get what you want by going out and looking for it.

Like all good local authorities, these days Greenwich Borough Council wanted a good deep underground air-raid shelter. Unlike most other local authorities who either build one or wish for it, Greenwich adopted the course of sending out an expedition composed of one "diviner" with a twig and one party of surveyors, with electrical resistance survey, to hunt for an air-raid shelter.

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5 YEARS AGO

Jan. 24, 1920.
The Admiralty announces that Squadron-Commander Linton and Flight Lieutenant Pierrepont Zealley on a night flight over the sea dropped 27 bombs on two submarines and on guns which they mounted on a mole. It is believed that one submarine was considerably damaged. There were many casualties among the gun crew.

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"Naval Collaboration
The Royal Indian Navy is mobilized and is collaborating with the Royal Navy in Indian waters. Arrangements have been made for the protection of ports and harbours. Enemy ships in Indian ports when war broke out have been detained. Authority has been given for the commanding of vessels and for restricting the transfer of ships and aircraft.

"A Controller of Shipping and controllers of enemy trading have been appointed. Exports to the enemy have been forbidden, and exports to neutral countries are supervised and controlled. Restrictions have been placed on the import of gold and on exchange and foreign currencies.

After recalling the gifts of the Prince and others both in cash and kind, the "Times" correspondent goes on to discuss in detail the formation of a Department of Supply, soon to be formed, directly responsible for the supply of raw materials and manufactured goods directly required



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BLOCKADE POWER

IN the detailed list of materials destined for Germany but detained by our Ministry of Economic Warfare we have proof of success which betters expectation. We learn that seizures of the very commodities essential to the maintenance of armaments are still piling up. The fundamental weakness of Hitler's policy of aggression is that in all the materials which modern warfare requires the territory of the Reich, with all that it has annexed, is singularly poor. This list of captures shows at once the extent of the dependence of German military effort on supplies which she cannot obtain from contiguous countries and the power of the blockade to stop supplies from overseas. In four months thousands of tons of petroleum and iron ore have been captured, tens of thousands of tons of manganese and aluminium ores, great quantities of copper, lead and zinc, and valuable amounts of rarer metals necessary in munitions. Materials for explosives and war stores bulk large in the list. The blockade has been specially effective against armament imports, and its effect is far greater than the figures exhibit. What is seized we can compute. What Germany had contracted for but found no shipping to bring must be a far larger amount.

There is no source from which the Führer's ministers can make good these deficiencies. Russia, if she chooses, if she will be paid and if the transport can be created, may supply some petroleum and perhaps sufficient manganese. But for the rest her cupboard is bare. The Reich is isolated from the countries which in the first half of the year supplied her with half her imports. We know that nothing was being imported which could possibly be pro-

BLOCKADE NEWS REEL

A GLANCE at the map will show you why Napoleon, more than a century ago, cursed the geographical situation of Great Britain, why Hitler curses that same inescapable fact to-day. The heavy lines show the sea routes by which in peace-time industrialised, urbanised Germany receives her main imports of iron ore, wool, oil, cotton, wheat, coffee, fruit, butter, coal, timber, copper and tin from the U.S.A., Argentina, Brazil, India, China and Japan.

To reach Germany all the North and South Atlantic sea routes must converge into two main traffic lines, both dominated by the British Navy. The northern routes must pass somewhere between the 250-mile span between Northern Scotland and Southern Norway, the southern route must pass up the English Channel, through the 20-mile Straits of Dover. Those 270 miles control 85 per cent. of Germany's overseas trade routes, and those 270 miles are controlled by Britain.

Further South, the great Mediterranean trade routes can also be controlled by the Allied navies from several bases. At Suez, Malta and Gibraltar vessels can be inspected for contraband.

How Blockade Works

During the last war the blockade of Germany was maintained by the 10th Cruiser Squadron. At its maximum strength this included 20 armed merchant cruisers, comprising ships of the Allan, White Star, Orient, Anchor, P. and O., Castle, Royal Mail, Furness Withy, Elders and Fyffes and other lines.

These were commanded by naval officers, but otherwise the personnel was mainly R.N.R. (ex mercantile). Experience during the first few months of the blockade proved these to be much better suited for such work than the old naval cruisers employed at the beginning. This procedure not only relieved naval men for strictly naval duties, but the merchant cruisers had greater storage space combined with a lower fuel consumption than the naval cruisers. The mercantile personnel, too, were well trained in spotting other merchant vessels, and any odd features about those vessels. These merchant cruisers were armed with 6in. and 3in. guns, and their fuelling capacity enabled them to stay at sea for periods varying up to 30 days. Vessels were divided into patrols which covered the whole area from Iceland to the Hebrides, and as ice prevents ships from passing north of Iceland for several months of the year it was only necessary to keep that section patrolled during the summer months. In the map above, the scored area represents the extent of the ice during the winter months.

As a general rule ships were about 30 miles apart, since visibility for the look-out in the crew's nest was usually about 15 miles. Zig-zag courses were always steered to guard against submarine attack, and the general rate of steaming was 16 knots. In the vicinity of the line what was known as an "in and out patrol" was maintained.

Ships would steam in line abreast (i.e. on parallel courses) along the tracks of shipping for 30 or 40 miles in one direction, and then for a similar distance in the reverse direction. During the hours of darkness all ships

duced in Germany and Austria and Czechoslovakia. These overseas imports were absolute necessities of the armament programme. As the strain on munition factories is raised to a higher tension the imports are lost. Such is the prospect of Hitlerism in its first war winter. With the loss of imports Germany has also lost markets. Nearly half her export trade was done with Britain and France and neutrals overseas.



would steam to the eastward, thus preventing vessels slipping through the cordon at night.

Ships nearer the extremity of the line would maintain what was known as a cross patrol, steaming backwards and forwards in line ahead, across the track of shipping, for a similar distance to the "in and out" patrols.

Figures Of Success

Throughout the period this patrol was in operation, only 4 per cent. of the merchant ships crossing the Atlantic managed to avoid the blockade. During the heaviest week recorded 156 ships were boarded and 68 sent

into port for examination. Two blockade was a comparatively simple procedure. To-day, con-

traband control

in the English Channel the

armed raiders succeeded in getting through disguised as trolley stations are established at neutral merchantmen, but two Weymouth, Ramsgate and Ler-

wick (in the Shetland Islands) were detected and sunk.

I Went Hungry In Germany

JUST before the first gun was fired against Poland I crossed the German frontier into Belgium at Aachen. For nine hundred miles I had followed German highways and by-ways-on-the-road—from Vienna, watching what and how much was eaten by the peasants and townspeople.

"I am sorry, sir, but I cannot serve you steak," I was told at the restaurant in Vienna's once fashionable Ringstrasse.

The waiter would not meet my eye. He was one of the old-guard who remembered the "gay city" in the days before the Nazi blight cast shadows over the faces of his customers. He glanced to right and left, and then over his shoulder before he said quickly:

"Things have changed since the days when I first served you, sir. Hitler seems to carry favour with the poor people by bearing down upon those who are better off. But he is failing—because—whereas—in the old days some ate very well indeed, and most of us sufficient, now the day is coming when none of us will eat anything at all."

Synthetic Coffee

So I ordered an omelette, and some brown bread and butter, and a bottle of wine. The wine was good, the omelette indifferent, and the butter scanty. When I asked for more butter, the waiter pretended not to hear. The Viennese know good wine, but they will not long care to live by that alone.

In my hotel that evening I ordered coffee in the lounge. This waiter spoke good English. He looked at me doubtfully, then bending forward he said:

"You would not prefer a really good liqueur, sir?"

I shook my head, noting the resigned shrug with which he accepted the order. Twenty minutes passed, and then my coffee came—a very small cup indeed. It was nauseating stuff, obviously synthetic. I drank half of it, and then demanded fresh. I wanted to make sure that even this famous hotel, in which many crowned heads have stayed, could do no better. The waiter's eye told much that he would not say.

"If you would take my advice, sir—a liqueur." I had a brandy.

Passau stands on the Danube, and, until the Anschluss in March 1938, was a frontier town between Germany and Austria. Now it is a quiet country town in the heart of the Reich.

My hotel was a typical family establishment. I had my evening meal in a delightful garden overhanging with trees; where, in happier days, the townspeople gathered to eat hugely and drink vast quantities of beer. But my only companion was a soldier, eking out a glass of lager, and a family of four persons who ate coarse brown bread and cheese and drank nothing at all.

"Not To-day"

The waitress handed me a menu. It was a brightly-garnished affair, having four long columns of attractive-seeming dishes. I prepared to eat well. Four times I made careful choice, only to be told upon each occasion that that particular selection of dishes was "not available to-day." At last I told the girl to bring me whatever she thought I should like best of those items which could be had.

My meal consisted of a poached egg, a small portion of brown beans, some rye bread. This was followed by stewed apples, unsweetened. For drink I had an indifferent lager.

Next morning I left without breakfast, determined to get a full meal at some larger place upon the road. I made my choice carefully, stopping

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichy



"He's nice, but he won't do—I couldn't possibly use a one-man dog."

RAPE OF POLAND

Hideous Nazi Crimes Revealed

ROME, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Monday's broadcast from the Vatican denouncing the German persecution of Poles in German-occupied Poland was followed to-day by the publication of a report giving a full account of the persecutions.

The report was submitted to the Primate of Poland by a Roman Catholic priest who escaped after being imprisoned.

He declared that the order of the day in German-occupied Poland was a barbarous persecution and destruction of everything Polish and Catholic. The priest gives a description of incidents which are almost unprintable.

Looting, And Pillaging

One of the less revolting passages concerns the conditions under which Roman Catholic priests had to live in prison. They had to carry out the most disgusting tasks.

In Warsaw prison are hundreds of priests. All churches in Warsaw are closed and the most beautiful church of all has been turned into a concert hall.

The priest says that looting, pillaging, and export to Germany of all food and clothing have left the Polish population destitute, and he foresees widespread starvation in the coming spring.

He describes how Polish families are herded into railway trucks in freezing weather and then taken far out into the country and told to fend for themselves.

Inhabitants in Warsaw seldom undress and keep a small bag of personal belongings near them all the time, "just in case."

Mass Executions

The priest also makes the charge that the Germans are trying to destroy the Polish race by sterilising young boys and girls.

Among many accounts is one case in which a priest was forced to watch 20 mass executions in a public square at one time. When he could bear it no longer and cursed the Nazis, he was beaten with rifle butts and then shot.

NO SOYA BEAN BLOCKADE

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. P. C. Loftus drew attention to the increase of soya bean purchases by Holland and certain Scandinavian countries since the war, and asked whether, in view of the fact that Germany is in great need of soya beans, Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, would take steps to ration supplies that had reached contiguous neutral countries.

Mr. Cross replied that owing to the fact that certain contiguous neutral countries suppressed their trade statistics, it was impossible to give a complete answer, but the statistical evidence available showed that from the outbreak of war up to the end of November, no excessive importation had taken place.

The general situation could be regarded as sufficiently satisfactory, and there seemed to be no immediate need for rationing, though of course that possibility was not being overlooked.

PADEREWSKI AS PRESIDENT

PARIS, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—M. Ignace Paderewski was elected President of the Polish National Council to-day at its first meeting here.

The Council will be an advisory body to the Polish President until it is possible for the elected Parliament to meet again in Warsaw.

Its first act was to pass a motion of sympathy with Finland.

M. Paderewski gave a message of comfort to the Polish people now suffering from the German aggressor. Poland, he said, was immortal and her final victory at the side of the Allies would bring liberty again to her oppressed people.

The British Army Welcomes All

LONDON, Jan. 23 (British Wireless).—The War Minister, asked in the Commons whether he was prepared to allow enlistment in the British Army of friendly Czech citizens, said that any alien could hold a commission or be entered for enlistment in any of His Majesty's forces as if he were a British subject. Czechs, however, were being encouraged to enlist in the Czech French Legion.

No More Secret Sessions

LONDON, Jan. 23 (British Wireless).—The Prime Minister, in his Commons meeting to-day, said, he visited the War Office this afternoon, he in his capacity as Liaison Officer with the French Army, and had an interview with General Sir Edmund Ironside, Chief of Imperial General Staff.

Phoenix Park Raid Sequel

Two Of Accused Are Discharged

DUBLIN, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Two of the seven accused in connection with the Phoenix Park raid, in which a large quantity of arms was taken, have been discharged, information being refused against them.

More precautions than usual were taken by the authorities for the hearing. The gates leading to the court were closed and a strong force of armed military was stationed around the building.

In addition, an armed military and police force patrolled the passages and corridors in the court itself.

HERTZOG DEMANDS PEACE

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to the level of a vassal state of Europe.

Chapter From "Mein Kampf"

General Jan Smuts, the Premier, said that General Hertzog's speech was one of the most amazing he had ever heard. With South Africa at war, the former Prime Minister had no word to say to support his own country, but had presented the enemy's case. General Hertzog's speech read like a chapter from "Mein Kampf." (Laughter).

General Hertzog's presentation of the case was a complete distortion of the facts. General Smuts maintained that the unjustified and overwhelming attack on Poland by Germany caused the war, and he drew loud cheers when he added that the facts were precisely contrary to General Hertzog's position.

Irrevocable Decision

Hilter's peace offers were made after "the martyrdom of Poland." Versailles should not be an excuse for the domineering policy of Hitler during the last few years.

"Versailles had ceased to be a blot on Europe. Hitler is a blot far more dangerous than Versailles. Something quite new has appeared, and that is the spirit which has given rise to the war now raging against the bully and extermination of the small man."

General Smuts added that a separate peace was now quite out of the question. Parliament's decision was adopted.

Smuts Wins Vote

Amid cheers, the amendment introduced by General Smuts re-affirming the resolution of September 3, severing relations with Germany, was adopted.

DEDICATION SERVICE

Pentecostal Tabernacle In Waterloo Road

The new Pentecostal Tabernacle at Waterloo, 10,000 seats, will be dedicated on Saturday next at 3 p.m.

The three-story Pentecostal Mission was established towards the end of 1907. The first Pastor, Mr. Mek Lalai, died on December 3, 1929, after a long illness, which began in the early part of 1928. Mr. T. M. Sung succeeded him as Hon. Pastor in 1923. Mr. Sung was in the Horsham Civil Service for 37 years, and retired in December 1927 to devote more time to Church work.

The British mission in Newington was established in April 1929, and the church work is run by voluntary offering.

The Pentecostal Tabernacle situated in City Road, above Canon Road, was completed at a cost of \$45,000 and dedicated on July 10, 1927.

SHIPPING LOSSES

London, Jan. 23.

Sinkings due to enemy action for the last eight days from January 15 to midnight of January 21 comprised four British ships of 23,843 tons, and 11 neutral ships of 35,245 tons.

The British ships sunk were the tankers Inverdungle, 4,058 tons; steamer Cairnross, 5,494 tons; tanker Caron River, 7,807 tons; steamer Ferryhill, 1,086 tons.

Neutral ships sunk were the Fagerhol, Norwegian, 1,550 tons; Arendskerk, Dutch, 7,900 tons; Josephine Charlotte, Belgian, 3,316 tons; Endi, Norwegian, 1,140 tons; Asteria, Greek, 3,313 tons; Flaminia, Swedish, 1,157 tons; Parthen, Swedish.

Of 11 neutral ships sunk by U-boats last week, at least two, Eko Arcos and Dracoulis, were sunk in the Atlantic.

Eight of the Tekla's crew were rescued by a Norwegian steamer.

There is irrefutable evidence that three neutral ships sunk recently were victims of torpedoes of German submarines, namely the British merchant ship sunk on December 2, Swedish ship Lars Magnus Troxell sunk on January 1 and Swedish ship Avartan sunk on January 3.

was held in the Park Hotel.

Duke Of Windsor At War Office

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Major-General, the Duke of Windsor, visited the War Office this afternoon, he in his capacity as Liaison Officer with the French Army, and had an interview with General Sir Edmund Ironside, Chief of Imperial General Staff.

Asked if he expected trade between Japan and the United States to proceed as usual after Friday, Mr. Harinouchi replied, "I hope so."

Exchange At A Glance

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4 m/s L/C London ... 1/3,532

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30 d/s India ... 11.10

U.S. Cross rate in London ... 1/242

U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. ... 3.974

Federal Debt Insufficient

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J.S. Treasurer Wants It Up To \$50,000,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, the Secretary of the Treasury, informed the Representatives' Appropriations Committee during the hearings of the Treasury Department 1941 Supply Bill that he contended that the limit of Federal debt should be raised to \$50,000,000,000.

The present limit of \$46,000,000,000 should be raised and he would take another look at the situation when it had reached \$49,000,000,000, but there would be no particular danger involved if Congress raised the debt limit to \$50,000,000,000.

Mr. Morgenthau also maintained that the budget should be balanced by reduced expenditures and increased taxes.

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BIG DRIVE UNDER WAY

Attempt To Flank Mannerheim Line

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Russians are pushing hard their new onslaught on the 50-mile front stretching from the north-east of Lake Ladoga to the frontier, and this sector threatens to become of vital importance.

If the Russians succeed in breaking through, which seems unlikely at present, they would be able to sweep round Lake Ladoga and take the Mannerheim Line in the rear.

Repulsed With Big Losses

To-night's communiqué, however, states that the Finns are beating back the assault with heavy losses.

The Russians are attacking in masses, strongly supported by artillery and tanks, and the thousand casualties mentioned in the communiqué provide some indication of the size of the effort the Russians are now making.

Finnish Communiqué

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Finnish war communiqué states:

"North-east of Lake Ladoga, our troops continue fighting with success. All attacks launched by the enemy from different points were beaten back with heavy Russian losses.

"During the fighting at Kollaa-Joki, over 1,000 of the enemy were killed in the last few days.

"In the war zone, enemy fighters have been most in evidence on the isthmus north of Lake Ladoga, chiefly bombers.

"Our own aircraft have repelled the enemy aircraft, have carried out reconnaissance and photographic flights and directed artillery fire.

"According to confirmed reports, six enemy planes were shot down. The fate of three others is uncertain.

Soccer

REFEREES TO PLAY THE PRESS

The following have been chosen to represent the Referees and Press in the soccer game arranged for Sunday, January 26, commencing at 2 p.m., sharp, on the Royal Navy ground, Cawnpore Bay:

Referees.—A. W. Smith; W. Fraser and Brackenbury; T. Gibson, P. J. King and Adlard; Carlet, Salter, K. K. in, Demece and Lee Bling-leng. Team Manager.—R. M. Omar.

Press.—H. Brookes; A. M. Otar and Franco; Moi Kun-yan, N. A. E. Guest and Mo Ching-chung; N. A. Mackay, Martin, Au Shu-nung, Munton and Duffield.—Team Manager R. Goldman.

The match will be played prior to the Lal Wah Cup game between the Civilians and Chinese.

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on business. In the United States under the provisions of the existing treaty, Mr. Berle said that such aliens may be permitted to qualify as visitors temporarily admitted for business or pleasure.

Further applications for admission of Japanese, nationalists, desiring to enter the United States temporarily for business or pleasure would be considered in the light of the existing law applicable to visitors.

Before the State Department revealed the details of the interview, Mr. Harinouchi told the Press that he expected that an Imperial decree would be issued to-morrow, stating that duties on American exports will not be raised.

Asked if he expected trade between Japan and the United States to proceed as usual after Friday, Mr. Harinouchi replied, "I hope so."

No Lack Of Fuel Oil

Navy's Supplies Are Satisfactory

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—

The Director of Supplies at the Admiralty, Mr. W. J. Jick, declared that the position with regard to the Navy's oil fuel was eminently satisfactory.

No Admiralty Order has been issued and there are comparatively few charters of tankers.

Since the last war, a new system of supply to naval vessels has enabled a ship to be maintained six or even 12 months without replenishing.

Pre-war arrangements had worked extremely well.

The increase of the work in the department is indicated by the fact that the Naval estimates of 1934 provided £5,000,000 for Naval stores. This had risen to £15,000,000 in 1935, and in the year of the war was likely to be at least £20,000,000, covering 670,000 items of stores.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

Around The Courses

SHEUNGSHIU COURSE LENGTHENED

Championship & Men's Foursomes On Sunday

VON NIDA WINS SOUTHERN P.I. GOLF TITLE

MANILA, Jan. 19 (UP)—Norman von Nida, Australian professional and last year's Philippines open golf champion, to-day won the southern islands series at Cebu with a score of 292. Larry Nonnes, local player and another former open titleholder, placed second with 292.

T. Miyamoto of Japan and Guillermo Navaja, local player, tied for third place with 305 each.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER IN FRANCE

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The Army Football Association, now functioning busily again, have sorted down to 17 the players from whom they will pick the British Army team to play the French in Paris on February 11. The transport problem is easily solved by the team going by air.

The 17 chosen are:

- Goalkeepers.—Riley (Liverpool) and Allen (Queens Park Rangers).
- Full-backs.—Sproston (Manchester City), Bentle (Preston N. End) and Cook (Everton).

Half-backs.—Copping (Leeds United), Gorlin (Bolton Wanderers), Cullis (Wolves) Mercer (Everton).

Forwards.—Fagan (Liverpool), Stephenson (Leeds United) Cunliffe (Hull City), Goldard (Bolton Wanderers) M. Edelso (Reading) Lawton (Everton) Welsh (Charlton Athletic) and Denis Compton (Arsenal).

A SIDE from these 17 will play an England team picked by the FA. on the Crystal Palace F.C. ground on January 20.

All the 17, except Tom Lawton, the England regular centre-forward, are already in the Army, and he will be there by the time the French are played. It is possible that while

Cortes Plans Another Title Bout In Manila

MANILA, Jan. 23 (UP).—The boxing promoter, Jes Cortes, is negotiating for Little Dado to defend his flyweight title in Manila in March against Jackie Jurich.

they are in France the Army team will play two other matches, against French club sides.

In France the match is being awaited with the keenest interest. To them it will be an international affair between the two Allied countries.

Two interesting choices are Allen, the Queens Park Rangers' goalkeeper, and Denis Compton, the Arsenal outside left and England Test cricketer. When football broke up because of the war neither had established a definite position in his club's first team. Our Own Correspondent.

Badminton

Chinese "Y" Beat University "B" By 7-2

Playing in the "A" Division of the Badminton League yesterday, the Chinese X.M.C.A. beat the University "B" by 7 games to 2. The scores were:

C. Au and H. Koh (Chinese "Y") beat C. Fang and S. L. Yang 21-1; beat C. K. Chao and K. L. Low 21-15; beat K. L. Hui and P. K. Chan 21-5.

F. Koh and C. Y. Yung (Chinese "Y") beat Pang and Yung 21-17; beat Cheah and Low 21-13; lost to Hul and Chan 21-21.

P. H. Wong and A. Chong (Chinese "Y") beat Pang and Yung 21-9; lost to Cheah and Low 21-24; beat Hul and Chan 21-8.

Craigengower XI's v. Indian R.C.

The following will represent Craigengower C.C. first eleven in their League cricket match against the Indian R.C. on Saturday.

E. Zimmoern (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. H. Esmaili, A. K. Esmaili, E. A. Lee, P. P. Lim, W. Hong Sing, G. Sene, O. W. Wilson, V. Vaidya and S. D. Darmam. Scorer, J. W. Hindall. Umpire, G. Ladd.

About fifty or sixty people who were gathered in an estate round a number of fighting cocks fled at the approach of the police. Although the majority escaped, the police were able to arrest eighteen persons. Eight fowls were seized by the police.

The case was postponed and accused were released on bail in a sum of \$10 each.

Efforts To Keep Golf Going At Home

(By "Birdie")

THE FIRST ROUND MATCHES of the Country Club senior championship will be played during the morning of the coming Sunday. The afternoon will be occupied with first matches of the men's foursomes. The draw for the Championship was printed a few weeks ago, and that of the foursomes appears below.

With the opening of the new tees at four of the long holes, the course has been lengthened by 210 yards, making the total distance for 18 holes now 6,220 yards. Par remains the same — 72.

The second hole has been increased by 52 yards, and is now 425 yards long. But the greatest addition has been to the third hole, which is now 535 yards. The increase of 90 yards has made it a much more difficult five.

The lie of the new tee, however, is awkward, for a direct line to the third green is across the corner edge of the second. But that, according to the line of the discs, is not the direction to take. It is the Committee's object to make the hole a mild dog-leg, but unless some sort of trap is placed across the straight line, I am sure there are several players who are going to take that direct route. I already know of one player who was standing near the second green, and who stopped a "fluffed" drive with his caddie.

The increase of 18 yards to the fourth hole was made through elevation. It is a blind hole of, now, 360 yards, with a very stony hill flanking the left, and a smaller hill directly ahead which has to be cleared.

The last addition has been to the 8th (now 675 yards). The extra 50 yards has curtailed theambitious in that only the really long drivers now attempt to cut across the out of bounds. It is a dog-leg, with the fairways at right angles enclosing the penalty area. Straight down to the cross fairway is now about 280 yards, and the added length has made the hole a better five.

TAKING into consideration the difficulties of the greens, the present hardness of the fairways and the consequent handicap for iron-shots, 40 is now a pretty good score for the nine holes.

THE draw for the men's Foursomes is as follows:

C. Thom and A. R. de Pinna v. H. Alves and C. Rosa Pereira.

J. B. Mackie and J. L. Lillie v. E. J. M. Churn and A. T. Lee.

H. Kew and S. V. Gittins v. Geo. Lee and C. Kew.

E. A. Remedies and W. C. Hung v. B. Alves and C. E. Marques.

A. J. Kew and C. H. Suen v. A. A. Lopes and J. J. Basto.

C. H. Basto and H. R. de Pinna v. C. G. Anderson and A. A. Gutierrez.

A. W. Ramsey and R. E. Lee v. F. X. Silva and M. F. de Pinna.

P. K. Tyau and T. Y. C. Lee v. E. Sadick and B. Basto.

The Championship matches are:

E. A. Remedies v. J. J. Basto;

S. V. Gittins v. H. Kew; A. A. Lopes v. A. T. Lee; P. K. C. Tyau v. Geo. Lee; A. J. Kew v. T. Y. C. Lee; B. Basto v. E. Sadick; C. H. T. Suen v. E. J. M. Churn; F. X. M. Silva v. A. W. Ramsey.

OWING to Volunteer Camp on the week-end scheduled for the first round matches of the Captain's Cup

UNDER-COVER "SPORT" IN THE STRAITS

KUALA LUMPUR, January 6.—Charred with gambling in public by cock-fighting, eighteen men of different nationalities were produced in the third court yesterday before Rajah Ayub.

Inspector Karim bin Abdul Latiff said that an officer attached to the Brickfields Road police station went with some constables to Kampung Bahru a little village off Dungar Road.

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The last addition has been to the 8th (now 675 yards). The extra 50 yards has curtailed theambitious in that only the really long drivers now attempt to cut across the out of bounds. It is a dog-leg, with the fairways at right angles enclosing the penalty area. Straight down to the cross fairway is now about 280 yards, and the added length has made the hole a better five.

TAKING into consideration the difficulties of the greens, the present hardness of the fairways and the consequent handicap for iron-shots, 40 is now a pretty good score for the nine holes.

THE draw for the men's Foursomes is as follows:

C. Thom and A. R. de Pinna v. H. Alves and C. Rosa Pereira.

J. B. Mackie and J. L. Lillie v. E. J. M. Churn and A. T. Lee.

H. Kew and S. V. Gittins v. Geo. Lee and C. Kew.

E. A. Remedies and W. C. Hung v. B. Alves and C. E. Marques.

A. J. Kew and C. H. Suen v. A. A. Lopes and J. J. Basto.

C. H. Basto and H. R. de Pinna v. C. G. Anderson and A. A. Gutierrez.

A. W. Ramsey and R. E. Lee v. F. X. Silva and M. F. de Pinna.

P. K. Tyau and T. Y. C. Lee v. E. Sadick and B. Basto.

The Championship matches are:

E. A. Remedies v. J. J. Basto;

S. V. Gittins v. H. Kew; A. A. Lopes v. A. T. Lee; P. K. C. Tyau v. Geo. Lee; A. J. Kew v. T. Y. C. Lee; B. Basto v. E. Sadick; C. H. T. Suen v. E. J. M. Churn; F. X. M. Silva v. A. W. Ramsey.

OWING to Volunteer Camp on the week-end scheduled for the first round matches of the Captain's Cup

UNDER-COVER "SPORT" IN THE STRAITS

KUALA LUMPUR, January 6.—Charred with gambling in public by cock-fighting, eighteen men of different nationalities were produced in the third court yesterday before Rajah Ayub.

Inspector Karim bin Abdul Latiff said that an officer attached to the Brickfields Road police station went with some constables to Kampung Bahru a little village off Dungar Road.

About fifty or sixty people who were gathered in an estate round a number of fighting cocks fled at the approach of the police. Although the majority escaped, the police were able to arrest eighteen persons. Eight fowls were seized by the police.

The case was postponed and accused were released on bail in a sum of \$10 each.

League Football

MIDDLESEX BEATEN

Last Minute Penalty Missed

Navy Hold Out Against Second Half Rally

(By "Rex")

STAGING A GRAND SECOND-HALF RALLY, Middlesex came very near upsetting Navy who, but for a brilliant exhibition by Robinson at goal, would have gone under in their First Division League encounter at Boundary Street yesterday.

The "Diehards" were given an opportunity of nullifying the goal lead in the last few minutes of the game, but Pearson failed to convert from the spot.

Robinson for the Navy gave a peerless exhibition at goal, saving all kinds of shots from all angles in fine style. His courageous flying-at-the-feet of his opponents must have taken the breath away from Middlesex's world-beat.

Roughly and Hall formed a good defence being both sound and staunch. Roughly was as speedy and fearless as ever and worked well with his halves. Hall was a mite slow off the mark, but managed to get there in the nick of time.

Hazzard headed the 1st with an almost superb performance. He had Devonshire well covered and alternated stopping with some fine distribution work. He seems to have found his place at last in the Navy line-up. Hill was very impressive at right half and rendered some good work. Britt also comes in for mention, although sometimes he failed in checking the Middlesex right flank, this being more obvious in the second half.

BETTER UNDERSTANDING

THE NAVY forward line worked with better understanding than I have seen them for a long time, their right flank of LePage and Phipps being the more menacing. LePage showed excellent understanding with Phipps, who was very speedy and seemed to have an idea, though still somewhat vague, of where the goal lay. He is fast developing into one of the finest right wingers in the Colony. O'Regan's return to the centre had much to do with consolidating Navy's attack, leading them well. Thoburn played his usual good game of plying passes and was seen to better advantage by reason of his being up when required. Tomlinson was slow for a winger but put in some fine work.

Drake in goal for Middlesex was decidedly off-colour as he allowed the ball to get by him in a manner he would never have done when on form.

Parker and Bindon, a new defensive combination for Middlesex were not up to standard and only in the closing stages of the second half did they approach being good. Parker

was easily the better of the two, clearing cleaner and with more assurance than his partner.

BRILLIANT HALVES

THE HALVES gave the day for the Mids, Bright and Wilkinson being in the limelight with magnificent performances. In the early stages of the second half they buttonholed the Navy attack, but not receiving the required support from behind fell slightly away. Wilkinson was especially good in breaking up Navy attacks and ever and anon he was well up with the forwards and having a try at goal. Freshwater was not behind them in excellent performances, finding Tomlinson an easy task he often was to be seen up strengthening the forwards, on one occasion finding the net with a magnificent drive from about 30 yards out.

The Mids' forwards started very badly but firmed up in the second half to give a very good account of themselves. Devonshire was a good thrusting centre, but inclined to be erratic in his shooting. Saw fumbled the ball glancing off Bindon's boot into goal. Navy raised attack after attack on the Middlesex goalmouth and fairly peppered the goal with shots. In a breakaway, Pearson took a shot from well outside the penalty area. Robinson throwing himself right across the goalmouth to pull off a grand save. Mids again broke through and Hill was hurt. The ball was cleared from Navy's sector but Navy defence rushed to the assistance of Hill, Saw obtained possession and sent Devonshire a through pass which he won on the point of taking when Hill dashed in to intercept and shot into his own goal.

NAVY OPEN SCORE

NAVY opened the score within the first five minutes of play, Thoburn receiving the ball from O'Regan to push it past Drake. A few minutes later Navy again attacked, Drake fumbled badly Phipps shot for him to rush in hooking the ball back to Thoburn who took a first timer the ball glancing off Bindon's boot into goal. Navy raised attack after attack on the Middlesex goalmouth and fairly peppered the goal with shots. In a breakaway, Pearson took a shot from well outside the penalty area. Robinson throwing himself right across the goalmouth to pull off a grand save. Mids again broke through and Hill was hurt. The ball was cleared from Navy's sector but Navy defence rushed to the assistance of Hill, Saw obtained possession and sent Devonshire a through pass which he won on the point of taking when Hill dashed in to intercept and shot into his own goal.

TWO QUICK GOALS

NAVY started well from the resumption, getting two more goals within a few minutes of each other. LePage received a pass to run through the defence beating Drake with a nice drive. Almost from the kick-off Navy attacked LePage again finding the net from a pass from Thoburn.

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SO YOU WON'T TALK! — With head lowered, a German prisoner is quizzed by French officer at field headquarters somewhere behind French lines. Prisoner presumably was captured in a raid across No Man's Land, but refuses to give information. Picture passed by French censor.

CINDERELLA OF DEFENCE

Evans Criticises A.R.P. Measures

OF London's civil defence forces, some are good, some are bad and some are indifferent.

So says Admiral Sir Edward Evans ("Evans of the Broke") one of London's two Regional Commissioners.

He has come to this conclusion after visiting thirty boroughs in the London area.

The Admiral said: "We must have frankness in this matter, because thousands of lives depend on the effectiveness of these services."

A.R.P. is looked upon as an unwanted baby, but when the bombs begin to fall people snuggling in their shelters will say how heroic are the A.R.P. wardens and workers."

The Admiral made these remarks after watching Islington's big air raid test in which hundreds of A.R.P. workers took part.

Wardens Trapped

There were nine incidents and I went with Sir Edward to the Union Square district where the biggest incident took place, writes a correspondent.

There were real fires blazing every few yards, the two local wardens were imprisoned by wreckage which had fallen on their post, and at least two dozen casualties, most realistically made up with grease paint, were strewn all over the pavements.

Because the wardens were imprisoned, it was ten minutes before G.H.Q. in Islington Town Hall heard of the disaster, but in less than that time wardens from neighbouring districts were beginning to help with the casualties, and within 15 minutes the first ambulance party had arrived, beating the fire brigade by a couple of minutes.

Operations In Street

A minute or two later demolition parties arrived to free the wardens, followed swiftly by two complete mobile ambulance units, each including trained nurses and a real surgeon.

Operation theatres were set up in the open street, and within half an hour a nurse was fastening a real tourniquet round a patient's thigh. At least 200 trained people were engaged in this incident alone.

The fires were soon put out, and I can testify that real water was used.

Sir Edward spoke to the first Air Raid Warden who reached the spot.

She was Miss Ada Allen, a typical volunteer unpaid warden, who goes on duty nightly from 8 to midnight. In the daytime she works in a shop near the Angel, and the firm had given her special leave for the day's exercise.

With the approval of a local committee, the holder could use them to meet exceptional and unavoidable expense arising from illness, unemployment or the payment of death duties.

The deposits would be unblocked in instalments after the war, when the resources of the community were no longer fully engaged.

Keynes states that such releases would help through the first post-war slump and give time for the government to concert more permanent plans.

LONDON (UP). — A revolutionary scheme for financing the war by compulsory saving from all classes, in order to avoid inflation, is advocated by the well-known economist John Maynard Keynes. In two articles published in the "The Times" which have caused a stir in financial and political circles.

Deputy Leader of the opposition Arthur Greenwood has rejected the scheme on the grounds that it is equivalent to asking British workers to accept the same regimentation that Hitler imposed on Germany, and that 14,000,000 wage and salary earners have had no increase in wages since the war started, while the cost of living has risen.

Percentage Of Wages

Keynes proposes that a percentage of all incomes in excess of a stipulated minimum income should be paid over to the government partly as compulsory savings and partly as direct taxes, the percentage to rise as the income level increases.

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WHEN the attack came no officer at the party had been armed; but the Datu standing by the table where the side arms had been laid had with almost drill-like precision picked up a service revolver and emptied its cartridges into the body of the Juramentado . . .

Canavan kept the vigil at Manning's quarters, where Mrs. Manning lay sleeping under the effects of a sedative . . . When she awoke she would need looking after . . .

Linda waited on the porch. In the face of such tragedy they talked in whispers and there were long pauses when they seemed to lose themselves, or be hypnotised, by the false serenity of the night.

The whole village was still—with fear and sorrow rather than sleep, and the waters of the lagoon lay at their feet like a smooth metallic shield under the moon. "Poor thing, she was so happy," Linda murmured.

Canavan rolled a cigarette and looked at her wistful profile. "I hear you're going back by the same boat."

"Yes." "What made you come out anyway?"

"I was in the earthquake in San Francisco. There was death and dying all around me. I heard people crying out—calling names. Suddenly I was screaming: Father! Father! I hadn't seen him for years—he was a thousand miles away and yet I called to him—Funny, wasn't it?"

"No. People always have to have someone to call to when they're in trouble. You learn that when you attend to the dying. If they haven't got somebody, they invent somebody."

In the room behind them came the strangled voice of Mabel Manning, crying her husband's name.

Canavan went in swiftly, and Linda saw him bend over, soothing, professional, saw him mix the sedative that would blot out the torture of consciousness from the woman's brain . . .

After a while she turned away and walked slowly back to her father's quarters across the deserted parade grounds. No light shone but the one from the house she had just left. Her heart filled with pity—and with pride, too, thinking of the man who fought with such kindly weapons against the battalions of despair . . .



HARTLEY, as the new commanding officer, cracked out his orders . . .

Double sentry duty, every Moro in the village rounded up and put in the guardhouse . . .

"McCool, I want a stockade built around the fort at once and beyond that barbed wire—nobody is to be allowed inside without a pass!" He knew what was coming, he could feel the tension in the man before him.

"Captain," the Irishman's anguished voice said, "if a Moro can go Juramentado, why can't a white man? Give me a squad!"

Hartley banged the desk with his fist. "There are to be no expeditions—alone or in groups!"

McCool saluted sharply, his Irish face unusually grim.

Hartley strode over to the hospital and marched through the sick wards where every cot was filled with the still figures of Filipinos. He found Canavan in conversation with the padre.

"Look here, Canavan! What's this business of turning your hospital into a refuge for slackers?" I want them turned loose. There's nothing the matter with them."

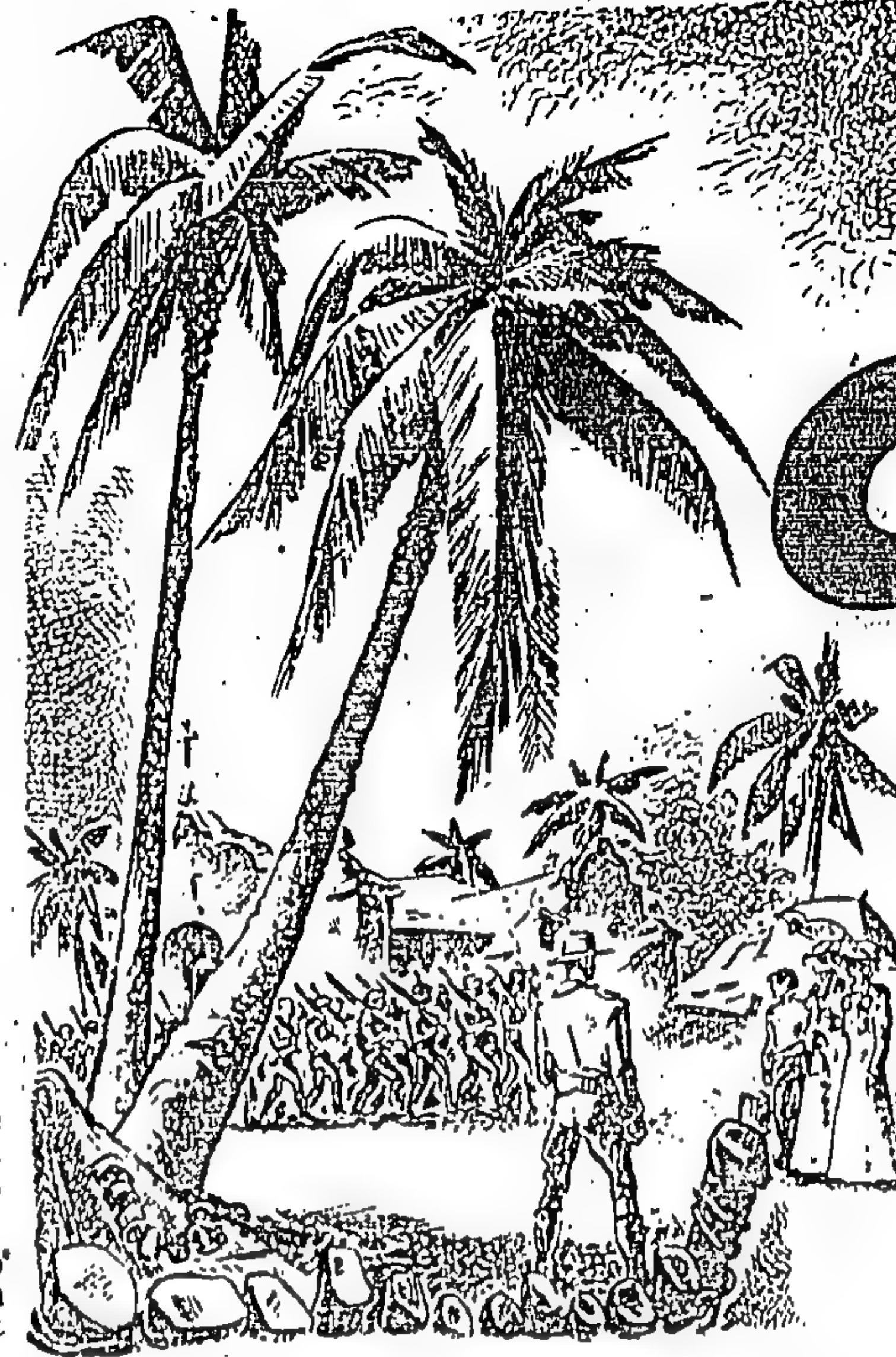
"Yes, there is," Canavan answered. "The Moro that struck down Manning struck them down, too, but not with a kris. They're down with a disease medicine can't cure, fear."

"Rubbish! Those men will be all right when they learn to handle a gun."

"What's the use of a gun when your fingers are so paralyzed with fright you can't pull the trigger?" Canavan said with considerable violence.

For answer Hartley turned and issued an order to the Sergeant at the door of the ward: "Sergeant! Get those men out of there and have them report to duty at once!" Without another glance at Canavan he left the ward.

Canavan looked after him dismally. "All he knows is what comes out of a book of regulations. He'd be hipped on uniforms."



THE REAL GLORY

off into the jungle on his murderous mission. "We've got to head him off," Canavan said, and motioned with his head for Miguel to follow him.

But neither of them noticed the unturned faces of three Mura warriors on the outskirts of the camp, scrutinizing their two figures outlined against the rock by the flickering fires below.

Neither Canavan nor the boy was aware that they, too, were being followed.

Canavan himself almost plunged to his death but managed to hoist himself to safety with the help of Miguel. He jerked the rope to which the Juramentado was tied.

"All right, Hank," he said to the scowling Moro, "Giddap!"

And all three started down the jungle path.

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9.30 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

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10.17 Benno Moisilvitch at the Piano.—Polonaise in B Flat Major, Op. 71, No. 2 (Chopin), Grille (Schumann), Song Without Words—F Major (Mendelssohn).

10.30 London Relay—Rural Background to Wales.

11.00 Close Down.

12.15 Close Down.

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7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Negro Spirituals.—Run, Mary, Run (arr. Gulon), Nobody Knows De

some thirty miles out of Passau on the road for Nuremberg. But the most to be had was synthetic coffee, two rolls, rather stale, a small portion of jam, and some butter which made me curious about its ingredients.

The place was empty and the waiter talkative. I asked him about the butter. He seemed surprised that I did not like it.

"But it is a delicacy," he said. "Many hotels have it, but few private houses. As for the poor people . . ."

He shrugged expressively. "I myself have not eaten butter for almost longer than I can remember. But then time passes slowly now, and so it may not be so long as it seems."

I began asking about German coffee when the manager approached, and the waiter moved silently away. The manager had an unpleasant eye, but I cared nothing for that, remembering the British part in my breast pocket, and knowing little of the activities of the Gestapo. Perhaps unwisely I directed my questions to him, receiving non-committal replies, given with an ill-grace, and a few personal questions which bordered on the impertinent. The sequel came a few hours later.

Too Inquisitive.

Nuremberg was draped in Nazi banners, and I hoped that this did not mean that the restaurants would be packed with delegates to some Hitler rally, for I was hungry. But I was given no time to think of food.

A large policeman came pedalling towards me on a bicycle and promptly arrested me and my car. For four hours I was held in a prison yard surrounded with heavily timbered fencing, seven feet high. No passport was asked for; the car was not searched. And no questions of any sort were answered.

Presently I asked a policeman if I could go and get some food. There was a meaningful look in his eye when he replied, "No, this time you will go hungry."

At last an official arrived from the town and ordered my release. He also answered no questions, and gave me to understand that I asked far too many.

Basil Fuller

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange: Official Summary Issued yesterday says:

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AMAZING JAPANESE REACTION TO ASAMA MARU INCIDENT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE INTENSE WAVE OF ANGLOPHOBIA THAT IS SWEEPING JAPAN AS A RESULT OF THE ASAMA MARU INCIDENT BECAME MORE ACUTE TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS HANDED THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR, SIR ROBERT CRAIGIE, ITS THIRD DEMARCHE ON THE INCIDENT IN 24 HOURS.

In addition to the representations to the British Government, the Director of the Foreign Office Bureau for European and Asiatic Affairs, H. Nishimoto, has made representations to Mr. J. L. Dodds, Counsellor of the British Embassy.

In these representations Nishimoto has warned that "British action has stirred public feeling in Japan to a high pitch.

"For this reason," he added, "unfortunate developments may result unless Great Britain deals with the situation discreetly."

He advised Britain to give its serious attention to the question "in order to avoid further deterioration of Anglo-Japanese relations," and demanded that the British Navy refrain from repeating such a "disagreeable action."

Tension continues unabated in the Japanese capital, a "United Press" message reports.

The Naval Staff Board and the Ministry of the Navy held a joint session last night, conferring until midnight on the steps which are to be taken to prevent a repetition of the incident.

Commander-in-Chief of Japanese fleets in Home waters were summoned to a conference with the Premier, Admiral Yonai, yesterday afternoon.

They subsequently returned to their posts.

Four leading members of the Tokyo Municipal Assembly who were responsible for organising the anti-British agitation last summer have called a meeting of the Assembly for to-day, states a "Domei" message.

The meeting has been called to discuss a plan for mobilising 6,500,000 people at a public demonstration against Britain.

BIG DRIVE BROKEN?

Finns Grimly Hold Mannerheim Line

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Domei).—Russia's great offensive in the Karelian Isthmus, by which she hopes to break the Mannerheim Line and eventually cut Finland in two by driving across the "water-line" appears to be coming to an end.

Although the Russians are pouring heavy reinforcements all along the line, and are constantly attacking the defenders with artillery, bombs, machine-guns, grenades and bayonets, the Finnish lines have not bulged.

According to Finnish claims, the Reds are sustaining terrible losses in their relentless use of man-power.

This offensive continues violently all along the Isthmus front and, in addition, has been extended north-east of Lake Ladoga, which the Reds are attempting to skirt in order to flank the Mannerheim Line.

The apex of the offensive appears to be a little un-mapped village called Kolannjoki, which is in the Loimaa region north-east of Lake Ladoga.

Heavy Red Losses

The Russian losses there have been particularly heavy, and more and more men are being buried into winter mud because of the overwhelming number of Red troops used, in a crucial battle of the war.

Elsewhere, the Russians have been completely repulsed with heavy losses.

The Red Army communiqué only briefly mentions the fighting in this area.

Red naval activity on a large scale continues behind the Finnish lines, the intention being to disrupt Finnish communications.

Nineteen civilians were killed mostly as the result of a bomb striking a direct hit on a bus and shelter at Nurmes, in mid-Finland.

The Finns claim that the other side has been responsible for many civilian

casualties.

The American rejection is based on the grounds that the Japanese offer is inadequate.

The rejection has been accompanied by the request that the matter be transferred to Tokyo for further negotiation.

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H. M. S. EXMOUGH LOST

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 24 (UP)—ANOTHER BRITISH WARSHIP HAS BEEN LOST. THE ADMIRALTY OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCES THAT THE 1,475 TON DESTROYER EXMOUGH HAS BEEN SUNK EITHER BY A MINE OR A TORPEDO.

IT IS FEARED THAT THERE ARE NO SURVIVORS.

The Exmouth is a sister-ship of the Grenville, which was sunk this week in the North Sea.

Her peace-time complement is 175. The Exmouth is the fifth destroyer to be lost, the others being the Gipsy, Blanche, Duchess and Grenville.

She was launched on February 7, 1934, and was commissioned on October 31 of the same year.

She cost £32,000 to build.

The vessel was launched at Portsmouth Dockyard. She was armed with five 2.4 in. guns and eight 21-in. torpedo tubes.

Captain Benson Lost

A "Reuter" message states that H.M.S. Exmouth was commanded by Capt. R. S. Benson who, with the 175 members of the crew, is feared lost.

Captain Benson is well-known in Hongkong, where he commanded the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla from 1933 to 1937. He was stationed in H.M.S. Duncan whilst on China Station, and left here in 1937 to join the staff of the R.N. War College at Greenwich.

Captain Benson specialised in gunnery and attended courses at the Staff College and the Imperial Defence College.

He was in the Royal Navy for 35 years, serving throughout during the PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 10.

SCOTTIES MUST WEAR PANTS

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The controversy over kilts reached the floor of the House of Commons today.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Oliver Stanley, in response to a question, said that for technical reasons largely connected with the possible use of gas by the enemy, kilts will be replaced by battle dress in the theatres of war or training.

They may, however, be used for walking out until worn out, but no further issue will be made during the war except to pipers and drummers.

Mr. Stanley gave an assurance that the kilt will be reintroduced after the war.

Newspapers Violence SEEK REPRISALS AGAINST R. N.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Jan. 24 (Domei).—Japanese newspapers are adding fuel to the flames of anti-Britishism which are sweeping Japan as a result of the Asama Maru incident.

The "Japan Times" alleges that the incident was carefully prepared in order to serve the triple purpose of creating a precedent which might govern future incidents; to stop the movements of German nationals from one neutral country to another; and to prevent useful men from reinforcing the German army.

"The case is likely to take on such proportions that it may well lead to immediate discussions between neutral nations regarding their status on the high seas," the English-language newspaper adds.

"When Japanese sailors boarded British passenger boats in South China waters to search combatant Chinese, the commanders of the liners wirelessed for help to their naval authorities. This help was forthcoming to the extent that British warships stood by to see that the laws of the sea were enforced."

"The captain of the Asama Maru did not call for naval assistance, and the search of his ship was allowed to take its course."

"The Japanese Navy, had it chosen to interfere, could have ended the matter then and there."

Seize British Ships!

The "Nippon Shimbun" (quoted by "United Press") states that unless an apology is forthcoming from Britain, Japan should retaliate.

The paper suggests that retaliation should take the form of stopping all British ships in Japanese and Chinese waters; the seizure of all cargoes en route to China.

These included the application of the "Order In Council regarding the seizure of German goods to Japanese ships."

British Rejection?

"Domei" understands that, despite the Japanese protest, the British Government intends to adhere to its original interpretation of International Law.

Britain Will Not Give In.

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Domei).—Informed political circles declare that Britain will probably not yield to the Japanese claim.

British authorities are convinced that the removal of 21 Germans of military age from the Asama Maru since it occurred at the front gate of the Yokohama Naval Station.

The "Nippon Shimbun" describes it as "a piratical act" and added that the Japanese Cabinet must press the issue to the utmost.

Meanwhile, the Commanders-In-Chief of the naval fleets and bases who attended the Cabinet meeting have rushed back to their stations after having heard detailed reports of the Asama Maru case.

The Socialists' party has adopted a resolution condemning the British action and demanding an apology.

They have further announced a series of lecture meetings throughout Japan to explain their policy of diplomacy to Vernacular newspapers are playing

up the reports of last night's meeting between the Japanese Foreign Minister and the British Ambassador.

It is reported that Mr. Arisawa told Sir Robert Craigie that a repetition of the Asama Maru incident might

result in serious consequences.

The British Warship?

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24 (UP).—A message from Honolulu states that the Tatsuta Maru was halted by a British warship.

This cannot be confirmed at present.

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WARSHIP HALTS TATSUTA MARU

HONOLULU, Jan. 23 (Domei).—A radio message reaching here from a passenger of the Japanese liner Tatsuta Maru says that the ship was stopped near Honolulu by an unidentified destroyer to-day.

A boarding party from the destroyer came on board the Japanese liner and after inquiring the name and destination of the ship carried out a search.

The captain of the Tatsuta Maru asked the name and nationality of the destroyer but could not get any reply. Five German passengers, two of whom were bound for Honolulu, were not interfered with.

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SEA BATTLE NEAR GIB?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 24 (UP).—Brief messages from Gibraltar indicate that a sea battle was in progress near there yesterday.

According to reports from the Spanish town of Ceuta, the Gibraltar fortress guns went into action.

The report stated that the fortress fire was directed to a point eastwards of Gibraltar.

Shortly afterwards, a destroyer and an airplane, both presumably British, were seen manoeuvring in the Straits.

The gunners ceased after several minutes.

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Spain Enemies Now Comrades

Strange Anomalies In Finland

HELSINKI, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—Among the foreign volunteers to arrive in Finland to fight against Soviet Russia is an Italian air pilot, who passed through Germany on his way to Helsinki.

He told, enquiring Nazis he was on his way to some winter sports.

The attack on Finland was a great mistake for the Bolsheviks, he said. All Italy feels great admiration for Finland, and the longer the war goes on, the more Italy's admiration grows.

An indication of the high ideals of the volunteers is provided by a Swedish detachment, which includes anti-Communists and anti-Nazis who fought on opposing sides during the Spanish war.

NEUTRALS LOSE MOST SHIPS

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—Figures issued by the Admiralty show once again that last week the Nazis sank more neutral ships than British.

Britain lost four ships totalling 24,000 tons. Neutrals lost 11 ships totalling 35,000 tons.

During the same week (up to January 17), the record of safety in convoy was maintained, at one loss in 500.

These figures give a proper proportion to the reports of individual ships lost from day to day.

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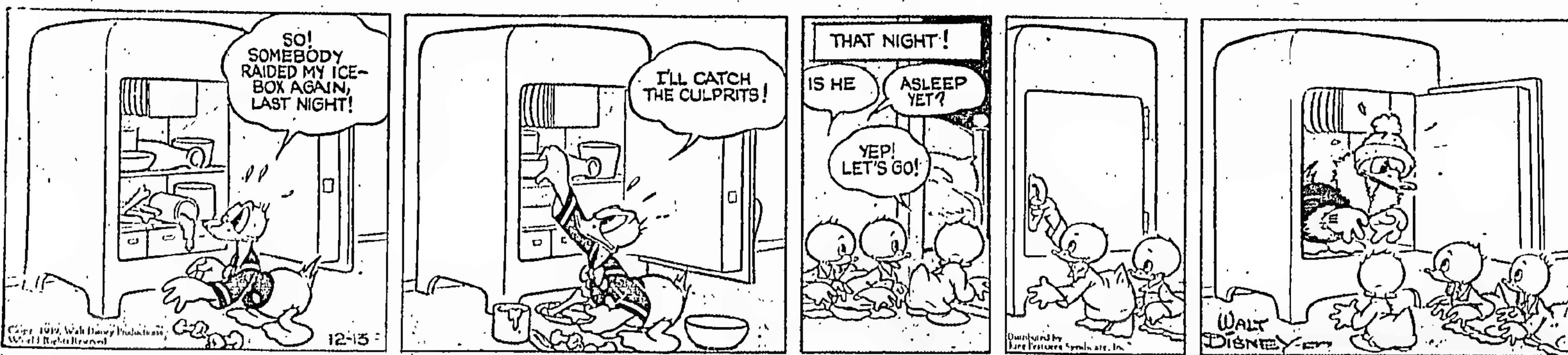
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Postman Stole The Letters

Post Office Mystery Is Explained

The mystery surrounding the non-delivery of some letters addressed to Kowloon residents between August and December was cleared up at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Li Kin-fai, postman, was charged before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell with the larceny of 23 letters.

Sentencing Li to two years' hard labour, His Lordship remarked that the law regarded such offences as no serious that it provided for a maximum penalty of 14 years.

Mr. T. J. Gould, Assistant Crown Solicitor, said Li was arrested on December 18, when the vehicle which he occupied in Szeung-choi Street was raided. Underneath the bed were found the letters, 17 of which were issued to him for delivery, while one, which was from England, had been opened.

Was Too Lazy

When charged, Li said he kept the letters partly because of laziness and partly because he could not find some of the addresses.

If the letters, Mr. Gould pointed out, could not be delivered it was the duty of the postman to return them to the postal authorities, giving the reason for the non-delivery. The letters were all postmarked between August and December and this was not consistent with the intention of Li to return them to the authorities, particularly in view of the fact that they were hidden under his bed. The essence of the offence was that Li had fraudulently converted the letters to his own use and with the intention of depriving the real owners of them.

The addresses given on the letters had been visited and it appeared that some of the addresses could not be found.

Mr. J. Woodier, Inspector of the Post Office, said Li was employed as a postman 'up to the time of his arrest.'

Sergeant A. A. Shaw gave evidence of arrest, and Constable Chan Tong-see testified to having visited the places mentioned in the letters and found only 15 of the addressees. The letter which has been opened and which came from England was addressed to Li Yat-hung, of 662 Nam Cheong Street.

Li, in the witness-box, said he had been a postman for three years. He had no intention of stealing the letters, and only kept them partly because of laziness and partly because he could not find some of the addresses.

With regard to the one which had been opened, he did not open it. He left the letter in the box at the address given but when he went to the place later he found that it had been opened. He therefore took it back with the intention of delivering it to the addressee personally.

Forgot Them

It was his intention to deliver the letters but after having brought them back to his house he entirely forgot about them.

It was significant, His Lordship said, that the letter which had been opened was the only one which came from Europe; the others were either local letters or from China. On the other hand, it was curious that, if Li had kept them through dishonesty, only one had been opened.

The Jury took 15 minutes to arrive at their verdict. They comprised Messrs. T. Steep (Foreman), J. A. de S. Alvarez, M. D. Sukhami, L. J. Banach, Ho Keng-po, Chan Kiu-fun and J. A. Chen.

BRITISH GOVT.'S CONDOLENCES

LONDON, Jan. 23 (British Press)—His Majesty's Minister of War has been instructed to convey to the Swiss Government and to M. Motta's family the profound sympathy of H. M. Government in the great loss sustained by the Swiss Confederation in M. Motta's untimely death.

Lord Halifax has also expressed a desire to be associated personally with this message in view of the close and cordial collaboration which has marked his own and his predecessors' relations with M. Motta at Geneva and the respect in which he was always held by representatives of H. M. Government.

ROUND-UP OF NAZIS IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Jan. 24, (Reuters).—Scotland Yard has just commenced to round up German residents in Britain who have not presented themselves for examination by tribunals in accordance with the regulations.

It is stated that at least 9,000 failed to comply.

The aim is to round up possible spies and saboteurs.

Tree Vandals In Court

Lorry Needed To Bring Exhibits

THE "TELEGRAPH'S" campaign against the denuding of Hongkong's hillsides has met with a quick response.

Police raids were instituted yesterday, resulting in the capture of 31 Chinese with trees in their possession. The culprits appeared at the Central Magistracy this morning before Mr. H. G. Sheldon.

The tree trunks were produced as exhibits, and ranged in size from small to large trees.

Fifteen of the arrests were made in the Shaftsui district, 12 in Wan-chai and two in Aberdeen.

So heavy was the haul of timber that it was necessary to employ a P.W.D. truck to take the exhibits to the court.

Several of the arrested men were found in possession of choppers and saws.

One man, Chung Cho, was arrested on Island Road with 18 trees in his possession. The total value was \$90. He was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Other fines ranged from \$15 and three weeks' imprisonment to \$10 or six weeks' imprisonment.

A few defendants were bound over.

Bailiffs' orders were issued against some of the principal offenders.

Air Mails Are Delayed

All air mail service to Hongkong have been delayed.

An France plane due to-day will not be until to-morrow afternoon.

Pan-American Trans-Pacific Clipper due to-morrow has been delayed until January 27. The last clipper was here on December 31. Imperial Airways mid-week plane due in Hongkong to-morrow afternoon has been delayed until Saturday.

In all cases the delays have been due to bad weather.

FINLAND FUND IN HONGKONG

Since the commencement of hostilities with Soviet Russia many friends of Finland in China have realised the great need the country is at present, having to fight an overwhelming aggressor.

A "Friends of Finland" Fund has therefore been set up to endeavour to raise donations to be sent to Finland. Any donation for this purpose will be gratefully received by the Finnish Consulate at Hongkong for transmission to the appropriate quarters in Finland.

POOR BOX GAINS

Thirteen gamblers and a keeper of a gaming house failed to make an appearance before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at the Central Magistracy this morning and had their bails increased.

Ho Yeung-po, 33, was on a bill of \$50 and the others on \$5 each. Table money picked up during the police raid amounted to \$2.40 and this was ordered to be given to the poor Box.

Further Details of Remarkable Incident

TANKER CREW TRIED TO SAVE HALF SHIP

INDIA'S VAST RESOURCES BEHIND ALLIED CAUSE

Her Troops Protecting Empire From Red Sea To Singapore

IN THE COURSE of a recent dispatch to his newspaper, "The Times" correspondent in India gave a detailed account of the war efforts being made in India in various ways. He had also referred to the sending of troops and R.A.F. units from India to Malaya and other places of strategic importance.

"Even the Congress party," he says, "while seeking some specific assurance as to the future constitution, is in agreement with all other political parties in expressing hostility to Naziism and all it represents."

"The Indian reaction to the seizure of

Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland corresponds with the opinion of all the great democracies," he says.

The Press has been unanimous in condemning power politics, both in Europe and the Far East. Sympathy with Great Britain has found expression in a wide variety of offers of service and from all sections of the community, and, although the Congress Party is withholding active support for the moment, its leaders constantly emphasize that they seek a declaration of British intentions only that they may more willingly collaborate in winning the war.

"Units of the Royal Air Force, normally stationed in India, have reinforced imperial garrisons in Malaya and the Middle East. An Indian Air Force Volunteer Reserve is in process of creation and will consist of five independent flights located at Karachi, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, and Madras. The personnel for these forces will be found in India.

"Hitherto all pilots and mechanics for the Air Force in India have been trained at Air Ministry establishments in the United Kingdom and elsewhere; now British, Indian, and Anglo-Indian personnel are being recruited, trained, and commissioned in India.

"The various civilian flying clubs have placed their resources at the disposal of the authorities, and nearly all pilots who hold the necessary licences have expressed their willingness to serve with the air forces.

Troops To Malaya

"The geographical position of India and her association with Great Britain endow the country with immense political and military importance, while her actual and potential assets in men and material are enormous.

"In conjunction with the Royal Navy, the Indian Army is helping to maintain peace over half a hemisphere. With troops in Egypt and Aden the country is isolating in the protection of the Red Sea; her influence is behind the friendly sheikhs of the Persian Gulf. Afghanistan, comprehensive of the intentions of Russia, has in India mountainous terrain stretching from the Arabian Sea to the Bay of Bengal.

"Indian troops in Singapore contribute to the safety of Burma and the Malay States, sharing with the British Navy in upholding peace over the northern part of the Indian Ocean. East Africa looks to India for goods and reinforcements if necessary; Great Britain, the Dominions, and France obtain supplies from her.

New Recruitment

"The expeditionary forces of British and Indian troops which reinforced the garrisons in Egypt, Aden, and Singapore did so at the request of the British Government. The troops are fully equipped for their tasks in these places and possess the latest mechanized first line transport.

"Arrangements for the expansion of the Indian Army are proceeding.

"Under a registration scheme designed to secure the services of 25,000 men, recruiting officers are examining the thousands who are flocking to the Colours. The men are not enlisted immediately. After examination they are returned to their homes to await calling-up orders. Groups of Europeans are now being called up for service as officers and are undergoing training at Belgium. They represent only a few of the hundreds who are anxious to serve.

"While the authorities are ready to provide officers in larger numbers the unexpected course of the war has prevented the absorption of as many officers as was at first expected.

"The withdrawal of civilians from commercial industry has been arranged in collaboration with the European Association, which has rendered the government notable service. In the matter both of supplying officers and of the compilation of a national register, Arrangements to associate the

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

JAN. 24, 1930. Do not have your pistol too tight—it will make you uncomfortable, it will deceive nobody, and will probably make your nose red. And the simple little remark will probably do more good than a mile of doctors' *prescrips* on the painful position of a tight-laced liver. Powdered noses and pearl-powder may stick, it leaves the skin raw here and shining, the instant you put your powder down, and there is no hope any where.

25 YEARS AGO

JAN. 24, 1910. The Admiralty states that early this month a British patroling boat with four cruisers and light cruisers, under Commander Tyrell, sighted four German battle cruisers, several light cruisers and a number of destroyers apparently making for the English coast. The enemy speedily made for home at high speed.

They were immediately pursued and shortly after one o'clock the Blucher, which had previously fallen out of line, capsized and sank.

On the 25th, after further reports that two other German battle-cruisers were seriously damaged but were able to continue their flight and reached an area where the danger of German submarine and mines prevented pursuit.

10 YEARS AGO

JAN. 24, 1930. On the eve of the Naval Conference, Wang Ching-wei's paper, the "Central China Daily News" astoundingly claimed and adds that Kao's services were retained by Wang in the "hope of reforming him."

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Wang Attacks "Turncoats"

"Spies In Pay Of Chiang Kai-shek"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SHANGHAI, Jan. 24 (Domestic)—Wang Ching-wei's paper, the "Central China Daily News" bitterly attacks Kao Tsung-wu and Tao Hsi-sheng for their part in the "Hongkong disclosures" in an editorial to-day.

Kao is charged with serving as a secret agent of the Chiangkang Government.

"We well knew this in advance," the "Central China Daily News" astonishingly claims and adds that Kao's services were retained by Wang in the "hope of reforming him."

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ECONOMIC WAR POLICY

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuters).—In the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister was asked if he would reconsider the setting up of a central directing organization for the economic side of the war.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that the subject was not one that could be dealt with by question and answer. He understood that the Opposition proposed to raise the matter shortly.

5 YEARS AGO

JAN. 24, 1935.

On the eve of the Naval Conference, Wang Ching-wei's paper, the "Central China Daily News" presumes that the day steamed through the Dardanelles, presumably with the previous knowledge and consent of Turkey.

Salvoes of gun-fire from the fort saluting the Russian ships brought crowds into the streets, gazing at the unbroken line of ships. The Russian warships steam slowly towards the Bosphorus and dipping their flags in salute, when passing the Dardanelles.

"Following an outbreak of hostilities between Japan and China, and threatened further offensive by Japanese troops in that area, the Chinese authorities in Peking are reported to have approached the Japanese Consulate there with a view to effecting a peaceful settlement of threatening situation."

Professor Grover Clark, of Wellesley College, in an address in Washington to-day, to the National Conference discussing the cause and cure of the Far East, said that the danger of hostilities in the Far East was very great.

He urged the United States to stand by the United Nations and to assist them in their efforts to maintain world peace.

Professor Clark said that the United States must be prepared to take a firm stand and make their peace machinery effective when Japan struck her first blow in Manchuria. He added that in the background of the situation lay the danger of a military alliance between Japan and China, involving fear of all the injuries that had been inflicted upon her and the rest of the Far East by the West."

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HOCKEY INTERPORT CANCELLED

The Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association is unable to accept the Colony's invitation for an interport match in Hongkong.

Unfavourable exchange, and the consequent financial difficulties, are given as the reason for refusal.

Though the decision was not unexpected here, it will nevertheless be a great disappointment to many hockey enthusiasts.

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BLOCKADE POWER

IN the detailed list of materials destined for Germany but detained by our Ministry of Economic Warfare we have

proof of success which betters expectation. We learn that seizures of the very commodities essential to the maintenance of armaments are still piling up. The fundamental weakness of Hitlerism's policy of aggression is that in all the materials which

modern warfare requires the territory of the Reich, with all that it has annexed, is singularly poor. This list of captures

shows at once the extent of the dependence of German military

effort on supplies which she cannot obtain from contiguous countries and the power of the blockade to stop supplies from overseas.

In four months thousands of tons of petroleum and iron ore have been captured,

tens of thousands of tons of manganese and aluminium ores,

great quantities of copper, lead and zinc, and valuable amounts of rarer metals necessary in munitions.

Materials for explosives and war stores bulk large in the list.

The blockade has been specially effective against armament imports, and its effect is far greater than the figures exhibit.

What is seized we can compute.

What Germany had contracted for but found no shipping to bring must be a far larger amount.

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about 80 miles apart, since

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Ships would steam in line abreast (i.e. on parallel courses)

along the tracks of shipping for

30 or 40 miles in one direction,

and then for a similar distance in the reverse direction. During

the hours of darkness all ships

duced in Germany and Austria and Czechoslovakia. These overseas imports were absolute necessities of the armament programme. As the strain on munition factories is raised to a higher tension the imports are lost. Such is the prospect of Hitlerism in its first war winter. With the loss of imports Germany has also lost markets. Nearly half her export trade was done with Britain and France and neutral countries.

BLOCKADE NEWS REEL

A GLANCE at the map will show you why Napoleon, more than a century ago, cursed the geographical situation of Great Britain, why Hitler curses that same inescapable fact to-day.

The heavy lines show the sea routes by which in peace-time industrialised, urbanised Germany receives her main imports of iron ore, wool, oil, cotton, wheat, coffee, fruit, butter, coal, timber, copper and tin from the U.S.A., Argentina, Brazil, India, China and Japan.

To reach Germany all the North and South Atlantic sea routes must converge into two main traffic lines, both dominated by the British Navy. The northern routes must pass somewhere between Northern Scotland and Southern Norway, the southern routes must pass up the English Channel, through the 20-mile Straits of Dover. Those 270 miles control 85 per cent. of Germany's oversea trade routes, and those 270 miles are controlled by Britain.

Further South, the great Mediterranean trade routes can also be controlled by the Allied navies from several bases. At Suez, Malta and Gibraltar vessels can be inspected for contraband.

How Blockade Works

During the last war the blockade of Germany was maintained by the 10th Cruiser Squadron. At its maximum strength this included 20 armed merchant cruisers, comprising ships of the Allan, White Star, Orient, Anchor, P. & O. Castle, Royal Mail, Furness Withy, Elders and Byfjell and other lines.

These were commanded by naval officers, but otherwise the personnel was mainly R.N.R. (ex-mercantile). Experience during the first few months of the blockade proved these to be much better suited for such work than the old naval cruisers employed at the beginning. This procedure not only released naval men for strictly naval duties, but the merchant cruisers had greater storage space combined with a lower fuel consumption than the naval cruisers. The mercantile personnel, too, were well trained in spotting other merchant vessels, and any odd features about those vessels.

These merchant cruisers were armed with 6in. and 3in. guns, and their fuelling capacity enabled them to stay at sea for periods varying up to 30 days. Vessels were divided into patrols which covered the whole area from Iceland to the Iberian Isles, and as ice prevents ships from passing north of Iceland for several months of the year it was only necessary to keep that section patrolled during the summer months. In the map above, the shaded area represents the extent of the ice during the winter months.

As a general rule ships were about 80 miles apart, since visibility for the look-out in the crow's nest was usually about 15 miles. Zig-zag courses were always steered to guard against submarine attack, and the general rate of steaming was 15 knots. In the centre of the line what was known as an "in and out patrol" was maintained.

Ships would steam in line abreast (i.e. on parallel courses) along the tracks of shipping for 30 or 40 miles in one direction, and then for a similar distance in the reverse direction. During

the hours of darkness all ships



would steam to the eastward, thus preventing vessels shipping through the cordon at night.

Ships nearer the extremity of the line would maintain what was known as a cross patrol, steaming backwards and forwards in line ahead, across the track of shipping, for a similar distance to the "in and out" patrols.

Figures Of Success

Throughout the period this patrol was in operation, only 10 per cent. of the merchant ships managed to cross the Atlantic.

During the heaviest week recorded 156 ships were boarded and 58 sent

into port for examination. Two

armed raiders succeeded in getting through disguised as neutral merchantmen, but two

were detected and sunk.

From May 1, 1918, to these control stations all blockade was maintained by vessels suspected of carrying contraband to German ports were conducted for examination.

In the English Channel the destroyers, patrol vessels, trawlers, and other small craft, fitted with anti-submarine devices, were constantly on patrol.

Contraband Control

In the English Channel the up to March 31, 1938, £6,770,927 simple procedure. To-day, control stations are established at Weymouth, Ramsgate and Lerwick (in the Shetland Islands), during the Great War.

I Went Hungry In Germany

JUST before the first gun was fired against Poland I crossed the days when I first served you, sir, against Belgium at Hitler seems to carry favour with the Aachen. For nine hundred miles I poor people by bearing down upon had followed German highways and those who are better off. But he is watching what and how much was days some ate very well indeed, and eaten by the peasants and townspeople. most of us sufficient, now the day is coming when none of us will eat anything at all."

"I am sorry, sir, but I cannot serve you steak," I was told at the restaurant in Vienna's once fashionable Ringstrasse.

The waiter would not meet my eye. He was one of the old-guard who remembered the "gay city" in the days before the Nazi blight cast shadows over the faces of his customers. He glanced to right and left, then over his shoulder before he said quickly:

"Things have changed since the days when I first served you, sir, spoke good English. He looked at me doubtfully, then bending forward, said:

"You would not prefer a really good liqueur, sir?"

I shook my head, noting the resigned shrug with which he accepted the order. Twenty minutes passed, and then my coffee came—a very small cup indeed. It was nauseating stuff, obviously synthetic. I drank half of it, and then demanded fresh. I wanted to make sure that even this famous hotel, in which many crowned heads have stayed, could do no better. The waiter's eye told much that he would not say.

"If you would take my advice, sir—a liqueur." I had a brandy.

Passau stands on the Danube, and, until the Anschluss in March 1938, was a frontier town between Germany and Austria. Now it is a quiet country town in the heart of the Reich.

My hotel was a typical family establishment. I had my evening meal in a delightful garden overlooking with trees, where, in happier days, the townspeople gathered to eat hugely and drink vast quantities of beer. But my only companion was a soldier, eking out glasses of lager, and a family of four persons who coarse brown bread and cheese, and drank nothing at all.

"Not To-day" The waitress handed me a menu. It was a brightly-garnished affair having four long columns of attractive-seeming dishes. I prepared to eat well. Four times I made each occasion that that particular selection of dishes was "not available to-day." At last I told the girl to bring me whatever she thought I should like best of those items which could be had.

My meal consisted of a plain egg, a small portion of brown bread, some rye bread. This was followed by stewed apples, unseasonable for winter. I had an indifferent time.

Next morning I left without a word, determined to get a full meal in another place. I had a good breakfast at a hotel in the city, and then took a walk around the town.



Inside Story Behind Fall Of General Abe's Cabinet

JAPANESE ARMY LEADERS FOOLED BY YONAI'S APPOINTMENT

Palace Clique's Manoeuvre

TOKYO, JAN. 23 (REUTER).—THE FALL OF THE THIRD CHINA INCIDENT CABINET HEADED BY GENERAL NOBUYUKI ABE AND THE APPOINTMENT OF ADMIRAL MITSU-MASA YONAI AS PREMIER FORMED AN UNUSUALLY INTERESTING EXAMPLE OF THE TANGLED CONDITIONS OF PRESENT-DAY JAPANESE POLITICS.

Nobuyuki Abe, the first soldier in Japanese history to attain the rank of general without seeing active service, was also the first Premier to go out of office without appearing at a Diet session.

Inheriting a number of complex problems deriving from the half-hearted invocation of the semi-totalitarian National Mobilisation Bill by the Konoye and Hiranuma cabinets, the Abe Cabinet, during the eighteen weeks it held office, went from blunder to blunder, chiefly in internal affairs.

Legislation setting up a Trade Ministry resulted in a strike of the permanent staff of the Foreign Office, which the Cabinet bowed to, dropping the plan and not even daring to discipline any of the mutiniers.

Loss of Prestige

The Premier's efforts to induce the President of the Minseito, the leading political party in the Lower House, to join his Cabinet ended in complete failure, with consequent loss of prestige. The Government's fixed price policy for commodities was frustrated by heavy increases in the prices of Government monopoly articles, notably tobacco and rice, and the Government plan to abolish the law guaranteeing the positions of civil officials, aimed to weaken the bureaucracy, eventually had to be dropped.

Meanwhile, allegedly through the inadequate and inefficient measures taken by the responsible authorities, shortages of rice, charcoal, coal, and many other articles of daily necessity, and soaring prices in many prefectures, particularly in large cities, such as Tokyo and Osaka, had given rise to serious social unrest, which is whispered to have amounted to riots and some looting in Nagoya, Osaka and Kobe.

Hostility Accentuated

Finally, shortly after Christmas, when the Diet was in recess, a majority of the members of the Lower House combined to pass an unofficial resolution calling on the Cabinet to resign. The Premier's declaration that he would take no notice of the resolution entirely accentuated the hostility against him. Thereupon the Premier indicated he would dissolve the Diet as soon as it resumed session. This proposal not only split the Cabinet but also brought down on it the active disapproval of the Army and Navy leaders, already seriously concerned lest the unrest at home should affect the military campaign in China and who realised that a general election would seriously delay passage of the huge £10,000,000 budget.

The Minister of War, General Shunroku Hata, actually nominated to the Cabinet by the powerful so-called palace clique and not by the Army, was instructed by the latter to inform the Premier that his policies were not approved and he should give the situation further consideration. A polite suggestion to resign. It is understood that Premier Abe replied to General Hata that he would not unless the latter, in his capacity as Minister of War, officially called upon him to do so. After a further conference of Army leaders, the War Minister was instructed to comply with the Premier's demand. The Navy Minister also officially informed the Premier that the Navy backed up the Army's demand, whereupon General Abe handed the resignation of the Cabinet to the Throne.

Army Leaders Fooled

Recommendation of a new Premier to the Throne then became the responsibility of the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, Mr. Yūsaku, and the President of the Privy Council, Prince Konoye, the 62 year old Genro, Prince Saitō, being now too old to retain that prerogative.

Prince Konoye, who was greatly favoured, having definitely refused office, he and the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal opened negotiations with the Army, suggesting that General Shunroku Hata should form a Cabinet. These negotiations went some way, several conferences of Army leaders being held to discuss the advisability of a general on the active service list assuming the premiership, and also consultations between the two elder statesmen and Army representatives. Eventually the Army agreed to the proposal on the understanding that simultaneously with his assumption of the premiership General Hata should be placed on the retired list.

COTTAGE CLUB CAVALCADE

A SLOW CAVALCADE, suitable for beginners and novice riders, will be held from the Cottage Club on Saturday, January 27, at 3.30 p.m. On the following Saturday, February 3, a faster ride will be arranged for the benefit of the more experienced riders.

The next paper-hunt for members will be held on Saturday, February 10, during the China New Year Holidays.



Admiral Yonai, the Japanese Premier

CABLE OFFICE FOR KOWLOON IN NEAR FUTURE POSSIBLE

THE QUESTION of providing Kowloon residents with greater facilities for sending cables is being investigated by Cable and Wireless, Mr. W. E. Rickwood, Manager, told a "Telegraph" reporter this morning.

"We are very anxious to help in this matter by providing an office in Kowloon," Mr. Rickwood said, "and it is probable that but for the outbreak of war such an office would now be in existence. At the moment things are a bit confused, but this matter will not be lost sight of and as soon as we are able to start the job it will be done."

No Indefinite Delay

Asked whether the scheme would be left in abeyance until the end of the war, Mr. Rickwood said: "No."

He added that while nothing was certain at present there was no reason why the matter should be delayed until the end of the war.

Owing to the war telephonic communication recently opened between Hongkong and Chungking has been suspended until the duration. Other proposals for extension of the telephone system between the Colony and outside stations have been temporarily abandoned.

No Lack Of Fuel Oil
Navy's Supplies Are Satisfactory

LONDON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The Director of Supplies at the Admiralty, Mr. W. J. Jick, declared that the position with regard to the Navy's oil fuel was eminently satisfactory.

No Admiralty tanker has been lost and there are comparatively few charters of tankers.

Since the last war, a new system of supply to naval vessels at sea has enabled a ship to be maintained six or eight months without replenishing. Pre-war arrangements had worked extremely well.

The increase of the work in the department is indicated by the fact that the Naval estimates of 1934 provided £5,000,000 for Naval stores.

This had risen to £15,000,000 in 1938,

and in the first year of the war was likely to be at least £60,000,000, covering 670,000 items of stores.

Is It An Omen?

In the circumstances it seems safe to prophesy that the coming Spring will witness some unusually interesting events in the Japanese political world, especially in the Diet session which will resume towards the end of January.

It is interesting to note that the Japanese words "Yo No" are a slang term for "No rice", a name superstitious people consider a bad omen for the new government.

Condemned British Soldier Awaits Verdict

AMBASSADOR TO DECIDE MURDERER'S FATE

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Following the recommendation to mercy by the jury of Private David Eckford, of the Senforth Highlanders, who was recently found guilty of murder and sentenced to death in the British Supreme Court, the judicial report of the case, together with the jury's recommendation, have been forwarded to the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr.

The Ambassador will have to make the final decision as to whether the jury's recommendation should be adopted or Private Eckford be hanged.

Decision Final
He will be guided in his decision by the report and observations of the Judge, Sir Allan Morrison, and counsel,

and his decision will be final. The sentence of death will not be carried out until the Ambassador's confirmation is given.

Meanwhile, Private Eckford is in the condemned cell at the Municipal Council's Ward Road Gaol.

If his death sentence is commuted to life imprisonment, he will probably be sent home to England to serve his sentence.

Canton Being Encircled By Chinese

CANTON, it was stated by a "Central News" message this morning, is perturbed as a result of fighting near the city between Chinese and Japanese troops. Following in pursuit of the Japanese, Chinese forces are developing a wide encircling movement around the city.

As a result, the populace fears that the fighting may spread to the city.

To the north-east of Canton, the Chinese are continuing their attack on Tsengshing, an important East River town.

Japanese and puppet troops are holding out inside the town.

Japanese-Driven Back

On other fronts, serious clashes have been in progress near Sino-shan, on the south bank of the Chientang River opposite Hangchow. Japanese units on the north bank of the river commenced a southward drive on Sunday night with Shiohung and Ningpo as their objectives.

They attempted to cross the stream in more than 80 launches and rubber boats, but they were driven back. Several of their vessels are said to have been sunk.

The following morning the invaders, with the support of aeroplanes, succeeded in landing north-east of Sino-shan.

Twenty-one truckloads of war materials seized by the Chinese at Kunlunkwon, a strategic pass about 20 miles south of Pintayang in South Kwangsi, are now on display at the public recreation ground in Kwelin. These include one field gun, three mountain guns, three anti-tank guns, four heavy machine-guns, 10 high machine-guns, 500 rifles, and a large quantity of gas masks, steel helmets and ammunition.

Temperature Of 43 Degr. Last Night

It's daily becoming colder in Hongkong.

Last night the temperature fell to 43 degrees, which is the lowest recording for January for the last 12 years.

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Cold Wave Hits U.S.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—The severe winter conditions prevailing in Europe have descended in full force upon the United States.

Arctic gales have swept south as far as Southern Georgia, where the heaviest snowfall for a century occurred yesterday.

The thermometer registered ten degrees below zero.

Fighting In Sikang

Chinese And Tibetans In Conflict

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Fighting has broken out between Chinese troops and Tibetan forces in the far western border province of Sikang, according to reports received here.

Hostilities have occurred near the Sino-Tibetan border and the situation throughout Sikang and Eastern Tibet is said to be very uncanny.

Trouble began at Kanze, in Sikang, between camp followers of the late Panchen Lama—one of the two highest religious personages in Tibet, who died in 1937—and Chinese forces of the Sikang administration.

What Started Trouble

Deching Wangmo, sister of the Kangar Lama (who claims direct descent from Genghis Khan), was imprisoned in her palace by Chinese and a group of Tibetans for the "crime" of attempting to enter another marriage.

When her supporters, reinforced by the Panchen's followers, declared their intention to fight for the Deching's liberty, the Chinese garrison took refuge in the princess's palace.

The palace was besieged by the Tibetans and there was some sharp fighting. The Chinese found the palace had no water supply, and when parties ventured out at night to a nearby spring they were wiped by the Tibetans.

Situation Obscure

Unrest and fighting spread in the border region, other tribes and armed forces joining the combat.

The present situation in Sikang is obscure. One report says the Chinese Government at Chungking has been asked to mediate. Another message states attempts are being made to form an independent state, with Kanze as its "capital."

8,000 Crowd In S'hai Gaol

U.S. Treasurer Wants It Up To \$50,000,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, the Secretary of the Treasury, informed the Representatives' Appropriations Committee during the hearings of the Treasury Department 1941 Supply Bill that he contended that the limit of Federal debt should be raised to \$50,000,000,000.

The present limit of \$45,000,000,000 should be raised and he would take another look at the situation when it had reached \$49,000,000,000, but there would be no particular danger involved if Congress raised the debt limit to \$50,000,000,000.

Mr. Morgenthau also maintained that the budget should be balanced by reduced expenditures and increased taxes.

May Soon Swell To Five Figures

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—With crime steadily on the increase in the International Settlement, the number of prisoners in the Shanghai Municipal Council's Ward Road Jail, the largest penitentiary in the world, has for the first time in its history passed the 8,000 mark.

According to semi-official figures just released, some 8,300 people, including 120 foreigners, are at present living within the confines of the four walls of the Municipal "Big House."

This number is expected to swell to five figures by the end of the year if the "badlands" skirting the Western District of the International Settlement are not soon cleaned out.

The Governor of the jail is a Londoner, Mr. W. C. Grant, and his staff of nearly 100 men.

Orazio's Death Roll Now 107

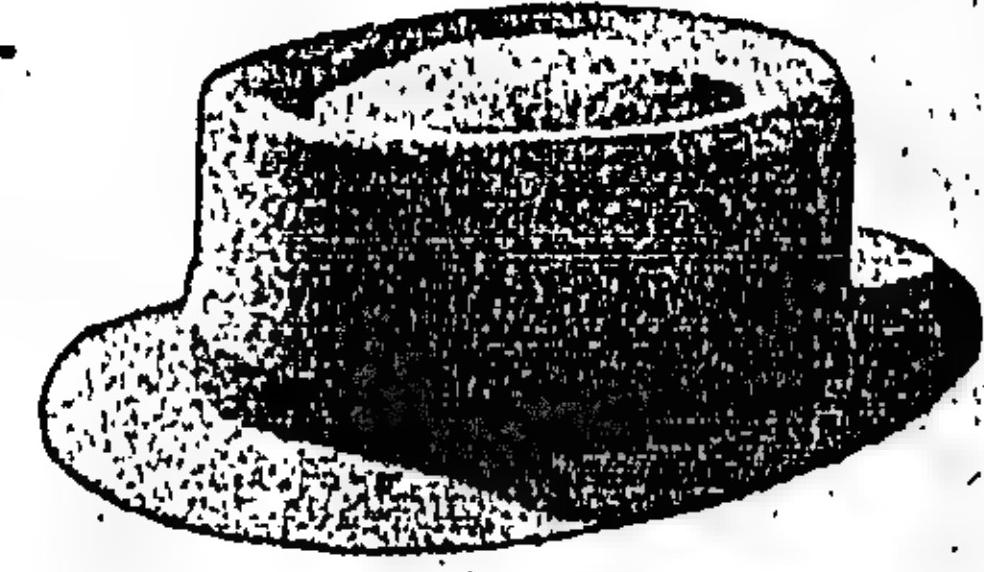
GENOA, Jan. 23 (Reuter).—The latest lists published by the owners of the Orizo indicate that the number of victims of the disaster total 107, of whom 47 were passengers and 60 crew.

31 Hospitalised

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Jan. 23 (UPI).—Thirty-one of the Italian liner Orazio's passengers and crew are at present receiving treatment in hospitals at Genoa.

The steamer Colombo, which rush-



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2-Heads	3-Heads of baked clay	4-Dates	5-Special talents	6-Exceptional strokes	7-Abuse	8-Name of baked clay	9-Base	10-Base	11-Base	12-Base	13-Base	14-Base	15-Base	16-Base
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ANSWER TO
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1-Mistake in fencing

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Canavan kept the vigil at Manning's quarters, where Mrs. Manning lay sleeping under the effects of a sedative . . . When she awoke she would need looking after . . .

Linda waited on the porch. In the face of such tragedy they talked in whispers and there were long pauses when they seemed to lose themselves, or be hypnotised, by the false serenity of the night.

The whole village was still—with fear and sorrow rather than sleep, and the waters of the lagoon lay at their feet like a smooth metallic shield under the moon. "Poor thing, she was so happy," Linda murmured.

Canavan rolled a cigarette and looked at her wistful profile. "I hear you're going back by the same boat."

"Yes."

"What made you come out anyway?"

"I was in the earthquake in San Francisco. There was death and dying all around me. I heard people crying out—calling names. Suddenly I was screaming: Father! Father! I hadn't seen him for years—he was a thousand miles away and yet I called to him—Funny, wasn't it?"

"No. People always have to have someone to call to when they're in trouble. You learn that when you attend to the dying. If they haven't got somebody, they invent somebody."

In the room behind them came the strangled voice of Mabel Manning, crying her husband's name.

Canavan went in swiftly and Linda saw him bend over, soothing, professional, saw him mix the sedative that would blot out the torture of consciousness from the woman's brain . . .

After a while she turned away and walked slowly back to her father's quarters across the deserted parade grounds. No light shone but the one from the house she had just left. Her heart filled with pity—and with pride, too, thinking of the man who fought with such kindly weapons against the battalions of despair . . .



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"You said yourself it's a disease medicine can't cure," the padre reminded him.

"Yes, but there must be some way. If I only knew the Achilles heel of the Moro—what he's afraid of—" Bill shook his head. "But apparently there's nothing."

THE padre tried to help him—he knew the Moro temperament as well as the Filipino, but it was true he could think of nothing the Moro feared. "Except . . ."

Alipang gave him his instructions in the low guttural Moro tongue and Canavan saw the flat-bladed kris passed into his hands by Alipang.

Then he felt a quick jerk on the rope's end and he began to haul his accomplished hand over hand up the rock-face. As soon as his head was over the ledge, Miguel was chattering excitedly: "Tuan—Alipang said Juramentado to kill Hartley!"

Canavan jerked him quickly over the ledge and stared down once more on the wild illuminated scene. He saw the Juramentado already loping

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A large policeman came pedalling towards me on a bicycle and promptly arrested me and my car. For four hours I was held in a prison yard surrounded with heavily timbered fencing, seven feet high. No passport was asked for; the car was not searched. And no questions of any sort were answered.

Presently I asked a policeman if I could go and get some food. There was a meaning look in his eye when he replied, "No, this time you will go hungry."

At last an official arrived from the town and ordered my release. He also answered no questions, and gave me to understand that I asked far too many.

When they at last reached a high ridge of rock overlooking Alipang's camp, a ceremonial was in progress. Camp fires dotted the clearing and before a native altar a Juramentado

Daniel Fuller

THE REAL GLORY

off into the jungle on his murderous mission. "We've got to head him off," Canavan said, and motioned with his head for Miguel to follow him.

But neither of them noticed the upturned faces of three Moro warriors on the outskirts of the camp, scrutinizing their two figures outlined against the rock by the flickering fires below.

Neither Canavan nor the boy was aware that they, too, were being followed.

A BOLA song through the air and out over the crude bamboo footbridge across which the Juramentado was running with long, effortless strides. It twisted around him, and as he raised his hands to tear loose the rawhide thong that choked him his kris clattered onto the bridge. In a split second Canavan was on him, pinioning his wrists. Miguel gave a shout of alarm.

Canavan himself almost plunged to his death but managed to hoist himself to safety with the help of Miguel. He jerked the rope to which the Juramentado was tied.

"All right, Hank," he said to the scowling Moro. "Giddap!"

And all three started down the jungle path . . .

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Royal Hawaiian Glee Club," "Beautiful
Woman," "William Ellwood," "Rock Me
In A Cradle Of Kauai," "Maybe It's The Moon," "Frank Ferrell's
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1.15 London Relay—Ivy St. Heller
in A. P. Herbert's "La Vie Par-
isienne."

1.15 London Relay—News Sum-
mary.

1.30 Studio—Comments on Recent
Events.

1.40 Dvorak—Concerto in B Minor,
Op. 104—Pau Casals (Cello), and
the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra
conducted by Georg Szell.

1.17 Benno Moiseiwitsch at the
Piano—Polonaise in B Flat Major,
Op. 71, No. 2 (Chopin), "Grillen
(Schumann)," Song Without Words—
F Major (Mendelssohn).

1.30 London Relay—Rural Back-
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1.00 Close Down.

6.00 An Hour of Dance Music.

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7.02 Negro Spirituals—Run, Mary,
Run (arr. Guion), "Nobody Knows De-

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